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MINUTES.

1.—BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BALTIMORE, MD., *March 2-10, 1870.*

BISHOP McTYEIRE, *President*; JOHN S. MARTIN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James Dallas Nally, Jefferson W. Duffey, Leslie H. Davis, John S. Hutchinson, Burton S. Highley. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Francis H. Shipley, George T. Tyler, Frazier Furr, Henry D. Bishop, William O. Ross, Samuel W. Haddaway, Richard S. Shreve, Robert Ross, William H. D. Harper.* 9.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Asbury Roberts Martin, Henry W. Kennedy, L. Gover Martin, William Herbert Mason, George W. Lightner, William G. Hancock, Edward H. Henry, Charles C. Wertenbaker, David Bush, William A. Wade. 10.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

Gilson Mauzey, Samuel V. Hoyle, John A. Kern. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

J. H. Linn, Lemuel S. Reed. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

Rufus H. Wilson, Walter W. Watts, H. Monroe Strickler, Silas R. Snapp, James F. Clarke, William G. Hancock, James Higgins, William C. Maloy. 8.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Asbury Roberts Martin, William Herbert Mason, Charles C. Wertenbaker, Lewis Gover Martin, David Bush, George T. Tyler, Richard S. Shreve. 7.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

John T. Maxwell, Milton A. Taylor, Benjamin F. Ball, James R. Van Horne, Henry H. Kennedy. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

William G. Hammond. 1.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Francis M. Mills, J. Newman Hank, J. C. Hummer, Daniel H. Parrish, George R. Jefferson, Edward F. Heterick, Robert B. Frampton, Jehu Hank, John P. Hyde, Philip S. E. Sixeas, Robert A. Holland, Samuel H. Griffith, John W. Bull, James F. Liggett, Joseph N. Spangler. 15.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Norval Wilson, John L. Gibbons, Henry Hoffman, Ephraim L. Kregelo, Elias Wetty. 5.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

David Trout. 1.

DAVID TROUT was born in Newtown, Frederick county, Va., December 25, 1795. He died on the 6th of December, 1869, at Front Royal, Va. He had almost reached his 74th year. His parents were members of the Lutheran Church. In early life, in the town of his nativity, he was converted. His brothers and sisters, with himself, became members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. These children, in after years, constituted a family rarely equaled, and perhaps never excelled, for religious integrity. The eldest of this pious family still survives, in his 80th year, and is one of the first examples of pure and pious devotion to God. David Trout entered the ministry of the Methodist Church in the year 1837. He retired

* Passed his examination on the Course of Study for the second and third years, and elected Deacon. Absence by sickness prevented his admission into full connection.

from the active work of the ministry in 1856, and settled with his family in Front Royal, Va. Here, in the closing years of life, he furnished an example, privately and publicly, of solid piety, scarcely surpassed and rarely equaled. It is due to the memory of such a man, to speak of his life and death in terms of truth and encouragement. Truly, if there ever lived in the Church a man who, by unobtrusive, simple piety, pointed out the way to heaven, it was this excellent minister of Christ. He proved, during a long and successful ministry, his devotion to the Church and the work of saving souls. The period of his superannuated ministry—a period that intervenes between the more active labors of earth and the rest and enjoyment of heaven—spent in this place, was one of almost uninterrupted prayerful communion with his God. His place of secret devotion was regularly and frequently sought. When no longer able to preach in the public sanctuary, on account of his peculiar indisposition and increasing infirmity, he went there, assisted often, to listen to other ministers of Christ, in their efforts to perform a work that had once been the delight of his own heart and life. At his home he was a man of prayer. Here nothing was allowed to interrupt his stated devotions or prevent their observance. It is well known to those best acquainted with his private life, that during the last few months of his earthly existence much of his time was spent on his knees in prayer, for the more complete consecration of himself to God. It was with difficulty that he was prevented, by the advice of his family and friends, from kneeling by his dying-bed. He thought, from this accustomed attitude of prayer, he might have increased success in sending to heaven the appeals of his mighty trust in the truth of God. He exhorted his family daily to meet him in heaven. It was his habitual prayer that in eternity they might be an unbroken family, and he died with the blessed assurance that the anticipation cherished on earth would be in heaven an eternal certainty. During the closing months, and especially the closing days of his life, his sufferings were intense. God gave this finishing touch to the grand moral picture furnished by his life. The application of this wise but severe test of both the depth and purity of his faith in God brought out fully to view the attractive features of the mind which was in Christ Jesus. As his life was closing he remarked to his family and Christian friends around him that "the adversary seemed to be pursuing him down to the Jordan of death;" when his pious wife responded that "the adversary could go no farther." This response gave new strength to his courage and direction to his faith, and realizing that, as a great warrior, his was a grand struggle for a final and glorious triumph, he expressed his thanksgiving to God in view of this cheering prediction. He felt himself to be a conqueror through Him who had loved him, and gave the assurance of the fact, by asking his Christian friends around him to sing—as the last hymn he would hear on earth—"Jesus, Lover of my soul." This precious hymn

described his faith and pointed to its glorious object. It unfolded the principle that started in early life his youthful feet in the road to heaven, and assured him, in the struggle of death, that the sympathizing hand of Jesus was under his sinking head. He seemed to feel that he was midway between two worlds; thought he heard the music of heaven commingling with the music of earth, and, arousing himself suddenly, he listened, and asked: "Who was it that had the harp?" "No one," was the reply. When he said: "I thought I heard the sweet music of a harp." Soon after, he exclaimed: "Glory to God! he giveth me peace!" and, in an effort to append some expression in reference to those he would meet in heaven, his voice faltered, his words became indistinct, and, with the last expression of his long, exemplary, and useful life but partially heard, his spirit took its flight to the bosom of its God. His remains were taken, on the day of his burial, to the Methodist church, followed by his beloved family and the community, where appropriate services were had, and his body committed to the grave in the hope of a glorious resurrection and heaven.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Baltimore District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Prs.
Baltimore:			
Central	239	.....	4
St. Paul's.....	368	.....	.....
South Baltimore.....	84	.....	2
Frederick Avenue.....	38	.....	.....
Baltimore Circuit.....	305	.....	2
Frederick Station.....	76	.....	.....
Frederick Circuit.....	93	.....	1
Rockville.....	272	2	3
Montgomery.....	185	.....	1
Howard.....	91	.....	1
Laurel.....	210	.....	1
Severn.....	70	.....	.....
	2031	2	15

East Baltimore District.

Trinity.....	310	.....	.....
East Baltimore.....	80	.....	1
North Baltimore.....	230	.....	.....
Emmanuel.....	33	.....	1
Taylor's Circuit.....	135	.....	1
East Baltimore Circuit.....	88	.....	.....
East Hartford Circuit.....	87	.....	1
West Hartford Circuit.....	80	.....	.....
Talbot.....	167	.....	3
Trappe.....	80	.....	.....
Kent.....	36	.....	.....
Queen Anne's.....	279	.....	1
South River.....	107	.....	.....
West River.....	157	.....	1
Calvert.....	235	.....	2
Prince George's.....	210	.....	1
Canton.....	31	.....	.....
	2365	.....	12

Washington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Washington City	288	.....	1
Alexandria	341	1	.....
Alexandria Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
Loudon	629	3	2
Leesburg	229	.....	.....
Farmwell	120	4	.....
Fredericksburg	221	.....	.....
Hillsboro	538	8	2
Warrenton	252	6	.....
Salem and Bethel	313	7	3
Fauquier	345	.....	1
Bladensburg	164	.....	.....
Fairfax	235	1	2
East Fairfax	280	2	.....
Prince William	160	.....	.....
Stafford	279	.....	.....
Charles	156	.....	.....
St. Mary's	120	.....	2
	4670	32	13

Winchester District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Winchester	399	.....	4
Winchester Circuit	356	.....	3
Woodstock	330	2	2
Frederick	84	.....	1
Front Royal	260	5	2
Berryville	267	.....	.....
Martinsburg	120	.....	1
Berkeley	291	9	.....
Jefferson	192	.....	.....
Shepherdstown	275	.....	1
Wardensville	206	.....	.....
Gainsboro	243	5	1
Morgan	73	.....	.....
Shannondale	182	.....	.....
Hagerstown	19	.....	.....
	3327	21	15

Rockingham District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Staunton	186	.....	.....
Harrisonburg	197	1	.....
Shenandoah Iron Works	41	6	1
Augusta	156	.....	.....
Mount Sidney	160	.....	1
Fairfield	284	.....	.....
Churchville	203	1	.....
Bridgewater	361	4	4
East Rockingham	176	.....	1
Rockingham	110	.....	1
New Market	152	1	.....
Elk Run	110	.....	.....
Luray	312	3	2
Millboro	46	.....	.....
	2494	16	10

Roanoke District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Salem	339	1	3
Lexington	173	.....	1
Christiansburg	150	8	2
Blackburg	180	.....	1
Fincastle	420	.....	.....
Lexington Circuit	188	.....	.....
Collierstown	115	.....	.....
Buchanan	133	.....	.....
Newcastle	170	.....	1
Sinking Creek	278	.....	2
Lafayette	145	6	1
Montgomery	285	22	5
Jacksonville	50	9	1
	2626	46	17

Lewisburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lewisburg	227	.....	.....
Frankfort	166	.....	1
White Sulphur	90	.....	1
Blue Sulphur	234	.....	2
Levelton	94	.....	1
Green Bank	270	1	.....
Centreville	250	.....	1
Union	96	8	.....
Peterstown	219	2	.....
Gap Mills	106	.....	1
Covington	232	.....	4
Warm and Healing Spring	60	2	.....
Alleghany	120	.....	1
	2164	13	12

South Branch District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Moorefield	124	2	.....
Petersburg	174	.....	3
South Branch	171	.....	.....
Springfield	245	.....	.....
Piedmont	106	.....	2
Cumberland .....	.....	.....	.....
Flintstone	106	.....	1
North River	177	.....	2
Franklin	294	1	.....
Monterey	274	.....	1
Crab Bottom	50	.....	1
Highland	108	.....	.....
Jackson's River	120	.....	.....
	1949	3	10

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Baltimore District	2031	2	15
East Baltimore	2355	.....	12
Washington	4670	32	13
Winchester	3327	21	15
Rockingham	2494	16	10
Roanoke	2626	46	17
Lewisburg	2164	13	12
South Branch	1949	3	10
Total this year	21616	133	104
Total last year	21041	176	107
Increase	575	.....	.....
Decrease .....	.....	43	3

Ques. 17. How many infants and adults have been baptized during the year?

Infants, 1380
Adults, 1071

Ques. 18. What is the number of Sunday-schools, teachers, and scholars?

Sunday-schools, 350
Teachers, 2858
Scholars, 17,985

Ques. 19. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?
\$3900.

Ques. 20. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$2496 38
Applied for superannuated preachers and widows and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 21. What has been contributed for the
Missionary and Tract Societies?

For Domestic Missions,	\$4438 77
For Foreign Missions,	1419 43

Ques. 22. Where and when shall the next ses-
sion of the Conference be held?

At Salem, Roanoke county, Va.

Ques. 23. Where are the preachers stationed
this year?

BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

John S. Martin, P. E.

Baltimore:

Central, J. H. Linn, J. N. Hank, Sup.

St Paul's, L. D. Huston, J. Poisal, J. W. Bull
Sup.

South Baltimore, G. G. Brooke, D. H. Parrish,
Sup.

Howard Chapel, L. C. Miller.

Baltimore Circuit, J. P. Etchison, S. W. Hadda-
way.

Hookstown, J. H. Dulaney.

Frederick, M. G. Balthis.

Linganore, J. T. Maxwell.

Rockville, Dabney Ball, J. A. Kern.

Montgomery, B. F. Ball, one to be supplied.

Howard Circuit, R. H. Wilson.

Beltsville, W. A. McDonald.

Laurel, R. S. Shreve.

South River, F. A. Mercer.

Bladensburg, W. H. D. Harper, W. J. Perry.

Hillsboro, J. Landstreet.

Secretary B'd Foreign Missions, W. E. Munsey.

President Maryland Agricultural College, S.
Regester.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

S. S. Roszell, P. E.

Trinity, S. Rodgers, R. A. Holland, Sup.

East Baltimore, T. B. Sargent.

North Baltimore, S. Kepler.

Emmanuel, I. W. Canter, J. C. Hummer, Sup.

Taylor Circuit, W. K. Boyle, L. R. Jones, J. N.
Spangler, Sup.

Harford, A. A. Eskridge, R. Smith, S. H. Grif-
fith, Sup.

Talbot, J. L. Shipley, R. B. Frampton, Sup.

Trappe Station, W. C. Maloy.

Kent, L. H. Crenshaw.

Queen Anne's, J. M. Grandin, J. P. Hall.

Severn, G. T. Tyler.

West River, W. G. Eggleston.

Jefferson, J. W. Duffy.

Calvert, A. B. Dolly.

Prince George, C. G. Linthicum.

Agent Randolph Macon College, D. Thomas.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

A. W. Wilson, P. E.

Washington City, W. V. Tudor, J. W. Boteler,
Sup.

Alexandria, R. R. S. Hough, F. M. Mills, Sup.

Alexandria City Mission, G. W. Lightner.

Loudon, D. Shoaff, G. M. C. Kramer, A. R. Mar-
tin.

Leesburg, N. Head.

Farmwell, S. V. Hoyle.

Fredericksburg, E. R. Smith.

Fauquier, E. H. Henry.

Fairfax, Wesley Hammond.

Falls Church Circuit, P. B. Smith.

Prince William, C. L. Dameron.

Stafford, A. W. Robey.

Falmouth, L. H. Baldwin.

Charles, W. W. Watts.

St. Mary's, L. G. Martin.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

William S. Baird, P. E.

Winchester Station, J. E. Armstrong.

Winchester Circuit, W. H. Wheelwright, G. Ste-
venson.

Frederick Circuit, L. Butt, E. F. Heterick, Sup.

Front Royal, J. H. March, F. Furr.

Warrenton, H. E. Johnson.

Berryville, F. H. Richey, J. P. Hyde, Sup.

Martinsburg, J. L. Clark.

Berkeley, A. A. P. Neal.

Jefferson, J. W. Ewan.

Shepherdstown, W. G. Cross, one to be supplied.

Gainsboro, H. A. Gaver.

Morgan, S. Smith.

Shannondale, T. W. Brown.

Hagerstown, B. S. Highly.

Salem and Bethel, F. C. Tebbs.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

J. H. Waugh, P. E.

Staunton, H. H. Kennedy.

Harrisonburg, J. S. Gardner.

Shenandoah Iron Works, A. P. Boude.

Mount Sidney, J. W. Wolff.

Churchville, J. J. Engle, G. R. Jefferson, Sup.

Bridgewater, J. M. Follansbee.

East Rockingham, L. S. Reed, H. D. Bishop, J.
F. Liggett, Sup.

Rockingham, W. O. Ross.

New Market, W. R. Stringer.

Woodstock, J. W. Tongue, J. S. Hutchinson.

Luray, J. E. Wasson.

President Wesleyan Female Institute, Wm. T.
Harris.

ROANOKE DISTRICT.

E. F. Buscy, P. E.

Salem, W. A. Wade, L. H. Davis.

Christiansburg, D. Bush.

Blacksburg, F. H. Whisner.

Fincastle, J. B. Fitzpatrick, J. D. Nally, W. H.
Mason.

Lexington Circuit, J. H. Temple,

Buchanan, A. Q. Flaherty.

Newcastle, G. Mauzey.

Catawba, W. T. Quinn.

Sinking Creek, E. G. Jamieson, one to be sup-
plied.

Lafayette, H. M. Strickler.

Montgomery, L. B. Madison
Jacksonville, C. C. Wertenbaker.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

J. L. Gilbert, P. E.

Lewisburg, G. G. Smith, P. S. E. Sizias, Sup.
Frankford, J. S. Porter.
White Sulphur, J. F. Clarke.
Blue Sulphur, E. T. R. Frippe.
Levelton, C. A. Joyce.
Edray, M. A. Taylor.
Greenbank, S. F. Butt.
Centreville, S. B. Dolly.
Union, J. N. Gray, Jehu Hank, Sup.
Peterstown, J. Crickenberger, one to be supplied.
Gap Mills, J. J. Edwards.
Warm and Hot Springs, S. S. Ryder.
Alleghany, A. Boone.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

W. G. Coc, P. E.

Lexington, I. R. Finley.
Colliertown, S. Townsend.
Covington, A. Weller.

Monterey, J. R. Van Horn.
Doe Hill, W. R. McNeer.
Crab Bottom, John W. Canter.
Highland, S. R. Snapp.
Jackson's River, W. G. Hancock.
Fairfield, W. H. Wilson.
Augusta, T. Briley.
Millboro, to be supplied.

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.

J. C. Dice, P. E.

Moorefield, T. E. Carson.
Petersburg, L. W. Haslup.
Franklin, J. Hildebrand, F. H. Shipley.
South Branch, J. Higgins.
Springfield, J. Beatty.
Wardensville, W. Hedges.
North River, L. D. Nixon.
Piedmont, G. H. Zimmerman.
Swanton, J. H. Wolff.
Cumberland City, to be supplied.
Flint Stone, C. L. Torreyson.
Rainsburg, R. Ross.
B. W. Daugherty, transferred to Virginia Conference.

2.—VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LYNCHBURG, VA., November 9-17, 1870.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; PAUL WHITEHEAD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Daniel G. Butts, Joshua S. Hunter,
James Thos. Lumpkin, George W. Matthews. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James W. Bledsoe, Richard Ferguson, James
A. Hughes, William P. Jordan, William E.
Payne, John Q. Rhodes, Walter C. Taylor,
George M. Wright, William R. Cobb. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Robert A. Armistead, James C. Reid. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Thomas P. Wise. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Henry C. Cheatham, Samuel S. Reid; and, by union of the Methodist Protestant Church with ours, in Virginia, William McGee, William A.

Crocker, Fielding A. Davis, J. McClellan, T. C. Jennings. 7.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

David F. Hodges, Charles E. Hobday, William
P. Wright, Travis J. Taylor, B. F. Tennille,
John W. Hilldrump. 6.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

James W. Bledsoe, Richard Ferguson. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

James W. Bledsoe, Richard Ferguson. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Alpheus L. Edwards, Edward Hawks. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Alpheus L. Edwards, Edward Hawks. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William W. Spain, James C. Reid, William P. Wright. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

William W. Spain, James C. Reid, William P. Wright. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Thomas H. Campbell, George W. Matthews, Littleton K. Lecato, Robert J. Sanford. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Thomas H. Campbell, George W. Matthews, Littleton K. Lecato. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Charles C. Pearson, William Grant. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

John J. Lafferty, Benjamin C. Spiller, Thomas H. Early, James McAdin, James L. Spencer, Thomas S. Campbell, James A. Riddick, Robert I. Carson, William J. Norfleet, John B. Lawrens, John F. Poulton, James F. Brannin, Jacob H. Proctor, John P. Woodward. 14.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Humphrey Billups, Joseph Carson, Matthew M. Dance, Benjamin Devany, Robert A. Gregory, William A. Robinson, Alexander Stewart, Jacob Shough, Benjamin M. Williams, Samuel T. Moorman, Benjamin T. Ames. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Joseph Spriggs, Isaac M. Arnold, William I. Hunter, Devereaux J. C. Slaughter. 4.

JOSEPH SPRIGGS was the son of Ephraim and Sarah Spriggs, and was born in Lancaster county, Virginia, July 6, 1804. He was converted and united with the M. E. Church in 1824. He was licensed an exhorter on Lancaster Circuit in 1826, and a local preacher in January, 1828. In March following he was admitted on trial in the traveling connection by the Baltimore Conference, and was received into full connection and ordained deacon by Bishop Soule in March, 1830, and elder by Bishop Hedding, in 1832. Berkeley Circuit was his first field of labor. From Berkeley he was sent to Greenbrier, then to Lexington, and then to Augusta. While on this circuit, in the year 1840, his health was prostrated by his arduous labors, and was not fully restored until 1850. The M. E. Church having divided, he adhered to the Southern branch, and now applied for admission, and was cordially received, into the Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church, South. After ten years of zealous and successful labor in the Virginia Conference, he was compelled (in the fall of 1860), by failing health, to seek rest in the supernumerary relation, in which he continued for five years. In the fall of 1865 he returned, much improved, to the hard work of the itinerant ministry, and was appointed to the North Bedford Circuit. Campbell Circuit was his next and last charge. In 1869 he was again compelled to retire from the active ministry. Thus, for nearly

forty-two years, he ministered the word of life with unfaltering fidelity. He loved the itinerancy of the Methodist Church, of which he was one of the brightest ornaments. He received his appointments cheerfully, and was always successful and popular in his pastoral charges. Of him it may be truly said:

None knew him but to love him;
None named him but to praise.

In the pulpit he spoke fluently, affectionately, earnestly; he was always practical and thoroughly evangelical; frequently his discourses were powerfully and effectively eloquent. As a pastor, in social life, in the family circle, at home and abroad, he was ever courteous and kind, free of access to all; yet ever prudent and dignified in his manners, impressing every one by the earnestness of his piety, and the charming felicity and purity of his interesting and instructive conversation. He was emphatically a man of prayer, and in holy communion partook of the Spirit of Christ, and went forth to his arduous duties strong in the strength of Omnipotence. He won many souls to Christ, and replenished and built up the membership of the Church in our most holy faith. By precept and example, he taught them the useful lessons of faith, hope, and charity; and, in his own well-formed character, gave them an almost faultless model of moral excellence. He died of typhoid fever, after a painful illness of eight weeks, which he bore without a murmur. He has left a widow and eight children to mourn their irreparable loss; but they sorrow not as others who have no hope. About ten days before his death he took an affecting leave of his loved ones. To each of them he gave a parting blessing, and, calling the physician who had so kindly and skillfully ministered to him, he placed his hands upon his bowed head and said, so lovingly, "Bless you! bless you! bless you!" He talked but little after this, but gave gratifying assurances that Jesus was ever increasingly precious. On the night of January the 17th, about ten o'clock, he seemed to be resting sweetly, when, opening his eyes, he said, in an audible and distinct tone (he had spoken in a whisper before), "Wake me at twelve;" and then, seeming to fall asleep, his family and friends were quietly watching at his bedside, when, just at twelve o'clock, he awoke, but at the call of the Master: "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

The voice at midnight came,
He started up to hear;
A mortal arrow pierced his frame,
He fell, but felt no fear.

A veteran soldier of the cross, he joyfully exchanged his well-worn armor for the crown of life.

Soldier of Christ, well done!
Praise be thy new employ;
And, while eternal ages run,
Rest in thy Master's joy.

His funeral-service was attended by a large congregation; the sermon was preached by his Presiding Elder, the Rev. A. G. Brown, and his body was committed to the grave by his brethren of

the Masonic Fraternity, a few hundred yards from his late residence, in Campbell county, Virginia, a spot selected by himself.

ISAAC M. ARNOLD was born in the county of Brunswick, June 13, 1804; entered the ministry in 1835, and died June 23, 1870. Brother Arnold's early advantages were quite limited, and his education, both literary and religious, much neglected. Possessed of a lively disposition, an even temper, and popular manners, he became among his associates a leader in those ways, the remembrance of which in after years caused him much regret. By force of circumstances, he was early deprived of parental counsel and guidance, and, being denied those home influences which so greatly tend to restrain the waywardness of youth, it is no wonder he went far astray. But, like Saul of Tarsus, he was overtaken and smitten by the power of God, and his wandering steps directed to the great highway that has led so many from earth to heaven. His call to the ministry was as unmistakable as his conversion, and his prompt and decided answer was, "Here am I, send me." His preaching was characterized by simplicity and plainness, and was often wonderful in its effects. Brother Arnold's piety was of no ordinary type. It threw a luster on every circle in which he moved. It consisted not in cant and mere ideals of Church-conformity, but was a grand exhibition of religious principle and scriptural ethics. Like most Christians, he had a large share of divine chastisements. In sunshine he was happy; under the cloud he was not afraid. The dignity of his bearing challenged the respect of all, and his eliding smile was often a savor of good to the thoughtless and the young, who revered him as a father. He was a member of the Virginia Conference for nearly forty years, and was always true to the trusts committed to him. He staggered not under responsibility. His great aim was to glorify God by striving earnestly for the salvation of sinners. More than two thousand souls were brought into the Church under his ministry, and Christians of every name were the beneficiaries of his abundant labors. During the last ten years of his life he was on the non-effective list, but he continued to exercise his gifts, and preached nearly every Sabbath. His work is finished! The grave holds his mortal remains, and heaven contains his redeemed spirit, so long consecrated to the service of God. Those who were with him in his last moments send to us the glad intelligence that his death was triumphant, and that his end was peace.

WILLIAM I. HUNTER was born in Gates county, North Carolina, in March, 1826, and died in Bedford county, Virginia, September 10, 1870. He was converted in Norfolk county, Virginia, in 1858, and united with the M. E. Church, South. He entered the Virginia Conference in 1859. During the period of his ministry—nearly eleven years—he served Patriarch Mission, Buffalo, Fluvanna, Beaver Dam, Nelson, and South Bedford Circuits. He was returned the second year to every appointment but one.

His labors resulted in the conversion of more than thirteen hundred souls. His last days were full of peace. Day by day the blessed Saviour was with his servant to soothe and to sustain, to cheer and to gladden. Our dear departed brother entered the valley of death with the sunlight of the Divine Presence streaming all around him. His end was a victory—a glorious triumph.

DEVEREAUX J. C. SLAUGHTER was born in Dinwiddie county, Virginia, November 8, 1817, and was "born again" August 16, 1835, while alone in the forest calling on God for mercy. He was awakened through the instrumentality of the Rev. Anthony Dibrell. He joined the M. E. Church in May, 1836, was licensed to preach September 25, and was received on trial in the Virginia Conference at Petersburg, November, 1842. He was received into full connection, and ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew at Lynchburg, Virginia, November, 1844. Ordained elder by Bishop Capers, at Randolph Macon College, November, 1846. He was effective and highly efficient until 1862, when, with shattered health and a broken constitution, he asked for and obtained a supernumerary relation, in which relation he remained until the Master removed him from the Church militant to the Church triumphant. He died at half-past one o'clock P.M., November 6, 1870, and was interred on the 8th of November, the fifty-third anniversary of his birth. In the various appointments filled by Brother Slaughter, he was very successful, and enjoyed a high degree of popularity, both as a preacher and pastor. He was peculiarly gifted in prayer, and preached in demonstration of the Spirit, and with power. He always spoke to the hearts of his hearers, while the truth, uttered in a voice of much sweetness, and with great pathos, would often move them to tears. His sterling integrity, genial manners, and warm heart, made him many friends wherever he went. He was cordially and tenderly loved by his brother ministers. During the last eight years of his life he endured great bodily affliction. Although unable to do the full work of an itinerant preacher, he was never idle, but used his remaining strength to promote the cause of Christ. In his last interview with the Rev. J. D. Blackwell, only a few days before his death, he spoke of his firm trust in God, and of his unabated love for his brethren, and also sent to the Conference by the Rev. W. G. Williams the assurance of his perfect peace with God through Jesus Christ. Some days before he expired, he suffered most severe paroxysms of pain, and at the close of one of these a friend present inquired how he felt, to which he replied, "All is well! all is well!" He turned himself on his bed, and his eye kindled with unearthly brightness, as though it caught some object above—a smile played on his face, and then the angels received him.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Richmond District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond:			
Centenary.....	286	.....	2
Broad Street.....	335	.....	.....
Trinity.....	270	.....	2
Clay Street.....	297	.....	1
Union.....	365	.....	1
{ Sidney.....	63	.....	.....
Oregon.....	106	.....	1
Rocketts.....	52	.....	1
Manchester.....	200	.....	1
Charles City.....	410	3	.....
New Kent.....	363	2	.....
King William.....	260	4	2
Matthews.....	853	2	2
Gloucester.....	705	1	.....
Williamsburg.....	52	.....	.....
	4617	12	13

Charlottesville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charlottesville.....	169	.....	1
Albemarle.....	484	7	1
Scottsville.....	294	5	2
Howardsville.....	270	.....	1
Fluvanna.....	444	.....	1
Gordonsville and Orange C. H.....	100	.....	.....
Orange.....	160	.....	1
Louisa.....	550	6	2
Batesville.....	264	18	1
Madison.....	320	5	2
Greene.....	250	1	.....
Goochland.....	264	.....	.....
Beaver Dam.....	285	1	1
Blue Ridge Mission.....	156	.....	.....
	4004	43	13

Lynchburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lynchburg:			
Centenary and Madison.....	275	.....	.....
Court Street and Rolling Mills.....	261	1	1
Amherst.....	390	46	2
West Amherst.....	220	.....	1
Nelson.....	245	.....	.....
Bedford.....	525	10	1
South Bedford.....	480	7	.....
Bedford Springs.....	192	1	.....
Liberty.....	75	.....	.....
Appomattox.....	415	1	.....
Campbell.....	453	.....	1
Buckingham.....	375	.....	1
Prospect.....	275	.....	1
Big Island.....	150	.....	1
Leesville Mission.....	102	.....	.....
	4433	66	9

Danville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Danville.....	210	6	1
Charlotte.....	399	120	3
South of Dan.....	414	16	1
Ringgold and Bannister.....	321	8	1
Pittsylvania.....	275	13	2
South of Staunton.....	309	7	3
Franklin.....	286	18	1
Henry.....	275	32	.....
Patrick.....	160	20	.....
Dan River.....	175	16	3
Halifax.....	393	195	2
	3217	451	17

Farmville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Farmville.....	118	95	2
Mt. Pleasant and Mineral Spring.....	166	84	2
Burkeville.....	200	2	.....
Lunenburg.....	500	2	.....
Boydton.....	350	2	1
Mecklenburg.....	919	46	1
Union.....	.....	.....	.....
Brunswick.....	700	.....	4
Nottoway.....	375	5	1
Amelia.....	354	7	4
Powhatan.....	150	.....	1
Cumberland.....	300	10	1
Greensville.....	256	1	1
	4388	254	18

Petersburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Petersburg:			
Washington Street.....	373	.....	1
Blandford.....	.....	.....	.....
Market Street.....	257	.....	2
Wesley Chapel.....	44	.....	1
High Street.....	361	.....	1
Battersea Chapel.....	.....	.....	.....
Ettricks.....	123	.....	1
Chesterfield.....	427	6	3
Coalfield and Clover Hill.....	363	.....	2
West Dinwiddie.....	360	.....	.....
Dinwiddie.....	255	.....	1
Sussex.....	409	.....	7
Hicksford.....	100	.....	.....
Prince George.....	223	.....	.....
Surry.....	286	.....	2
Smithfield Station.....	200	2	1
Smithfield Circuit.....	214	.....	.....
	4000	8	22

Murfreesboro District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Murfreesboro.....	143	3	.....
Northampton.....	823	7	3
Bertie.....	401	3	2
Edenton.....	57	.....	.....
Hertford.....	788	.....	2
Pasquotank.....	600	.....	4
Elizabeth City.....	157	.....	1
Indian Ridge.....	606	.....	2
Suffolk.....	170	.....	1
Gates.....	800	.....	2
Southampton.....	656	.....	1
Currituck Mission.....	375	5	1
	5481	18	19

Norfolk District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Norfolk:			
Cumberland Street.....	480	.....	1
Granby Street.....	252	.....	1
Portsmouth:			
{ Dinwiddie.....	409	.....	1
Second Street.....	125	.....	1
Wesley Chapel.....	216	.....	1
Norfolk Circuit.....	200	1	1
East Norfolk Circuit.....	356	.....	3
Princess Anne.....	650	1	4
Eastville.....	299	.....	.....
Pungoteague.....	601	1	6
Atlantic.....	452	.....	1
Wicomico.....	245	.....	.....
Berlin.....	87	.....	.....
Cambridge.....	70	.....	1
Dorchester.....	220	.....	1
Hampton and York.....	531	1	3
	5193	4	25

Rappahannock District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rappahannock.....	267	40	.....
Culpepper.....	320	31	1
Spottsylvania.....	147	2	.....
Caroline.....	449	.....	3
King George.....	365	2	.....
Westmoreland.....	407	4	1
Northumberland.....	150	.....	1
Lancaster.....	400	1	1
Middlesex.....	420	.....	.....
King and Queen.....	623	.....	2
Hanover.....	544	1	5
	4092	81	14

Recapitulation.

Richmond District.....	4617	12	13
Charlottesville ".....	4004	43	13
Lynchburg ".....	4433	66	9
Danville ".....	3217	451	17
Farmville ".....	4538	254	18
Petersburg ".....	4000	8	22
Murfreesboro ".....	5481	18	19
Norfolk ".....	5193	4	25
Rappahannock ".....	4092	81	14
Total this year.....	39,425	937	150
Total last year.....	38,897	815	146
Increase.....	528	122	4

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1050.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1757.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
539.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
5322.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
23,443.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$5440.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$3812 68
Applied as follows:
To superannuated preachers, 819 00
To widows and orphans of deceased preachers, 2979 00
Balance left in hands of Joint Board of Finance, 14 68

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
No report.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Portsmouth, Virginia.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RICHMOND DISTRICT.

Leroy M. Lee, P. E.

Richmond:

Trinity, James P. Garland.
Centenary, John C. Granbery.
Broad Street, John E. Edwards.
Clay Street, Edward M. Peterson.
Sidney and Oregon, George W. Nolley.
Rocketts, to be supplied.
Manchester, William H. Christian.
Charles City, George C. Vanderslice.
New Kent, James H. Crown.
Providence, Thomas P. Wise.
King William, George M. Wright.
Matthews, Alfred Wiles.
Gloucester, James C. Martin.
Williamsburg, Alexander M. Hall.
Editor Richmond Christian Advocate, William W. Bennett.
Superintendent of Missions to the Germans, Edward N. S. Blogg.

CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

Jacob Manning, P. E.

Charlottesville, John B. Dey.
Albemarle, James M. Anderson, John J. Lafferty, Sup.
Scottsville, John Bayley.
Fluvanna, Milton L. Bishop.
Gordonsville and Orange C. H., James L. Fisher.
Orange, William E. Payne.
Louisa, John W. Howard.
Batesville, Hartwell H. Gary.
Madison, Robert M. Watts.
Greene, William H. Camper.
Goochland, Charles E. Hobday, Benj. C. Spiller, Sup.
Beaver Dam, James F. Finnell.
Blue Ridge Mission, to be supplied (by A. L. Edwards).
Piedmont Mission, to be supplied (by Geo. W. Baily).

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

Henry B. Cowles, P. E.

Lynchburg:

{ Centenary, William E. Edwards.
{ Madison, Thomas H. Early, Sup.
Court Street, Robert N. Sledd.
Amherst, Lemuel S. Reed.
West Amherst, James B. Merritt.
Nelson, John N. Jones.
Bedford, John M. Saunders.
Big Island, to be supplied (by Elisha DeWitt).
South Bedford, Robert N. Crooks.
Bedford Springs, Joshua S. Hunter.
Liberty, Robert A. Compton.
Appomattox, William H. Hopkins.
Campbell, John W. Hildrup.
Buckingham, Robert B. Beadles.
Prospect, James W. Bledsoe.
Leesville Mission, to be supplied.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

James Jamieson, P. E.

Danville, Joseph A. Proctor.
 Charlotte, John D. Southall.
 West Charlotte, William P. Jordan.
 South of Dan, Wesley C. Vaden.
 Ringgold and Bannister, to be supplied.
 Pittsylvania, John W. Tucker.
 South of Staunton, John W. F. Jones.
 Franklin, David F. Hodges.
 Henry, Henry C. Bowles.
 Patrick, James T. Lumpkin.
 Dan River Mission, to be supplied.
 Halifax, Jeremiah McMullan.

FARMVILLE DISTRICT.

Robert Michaels, P. E.

Farmville, Francis M. Edwards.
 Mount Pleasant, to be supplied.
 Burkville, Thomas M. Beckham.
 Lunenburg, James C. Watson.
 Boydton, David M. Wallace.
 Mecklenburg, Blassingame H. Johnson, James
 McAden, Sup.
 Clarksville Mission, Herbert T. Bacon.
 Brunswick, James W. Blincoe.
 Nottoway, William G. Lumpkin, Jas. L. Spen-
 cer, Sup.
 Amelia, Joseph E. Potts.
 Powhatan, James C. Reed.
 Cumberland, Layton J. Hansberger.
 South Brunswick, William W. Spain.
 Wesleyan and Mineral Spring, George H. Ray.

PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

D. P. Wills, P. E.

Petersburg:

{ Washington Street, Charles H. Hall, John
 B. Laurens, Sup.
 { Blandford, to be supplied.
 { Market Street, Geo. W. Langhorne, Thos.
 S. Campbell, Sup.
 { Wesley Chapel, to be supplied.
 { High Street, George E. Booker.
 { Battersea, to be supplied.
 Ettricks, Thomas Diggs.
 Chesterfield, Fielding A. Davis.
 Coalfield and Clover Hill, Henry M. Linney.
 West Dinwiddie, George N. Guy, Jacob H. Proc-
 tor, Sup.
 Dinwiddie, Travis J. Taylor.
 Sussex, Joseph H. Amiss, James A. Riddick, Sup.
 Hicksford, Edward P. Wilson.
 Prince George, Richard Ferguson, John P. Wood-
 ward, Sup.
 Surry, James W. Connelly.
 Smithfield, Hezekiah P. Mitchell.
 Smithfield Circuit, William E. Allen, J. McClel-
 land.

MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

John D. Blackwell, P. E.

Murfreesboro, Peter F. August.
 Northampton, James E. McSparran.

Meherrin, Benj. F. Tennille.

Windsor, James W. Compton, Robert I. Carson,
Sup.

Harrellsville, Joseph H. Riddick.

Edenton, Beverly W. Daugherty, Wm. J. Nor-
fleet, Sup.

Hartford, Major S. Colonna.

Pasquotank, Thomas L. Williams.

Elizabeth City, Samuel S. Lambeth.

Indian Ridge, James D. Lumsden.

Suffolk, William G. Starr.

Gates, William P. Wright.

Southampton, John W. White, Jas. A. Hughes.

Dare Mission, to be supplied (by B. H. Jarvis).

President Wesleyan Female College, Paul White-
head.Agent Wesleyan Female College, Wm. B. Row-
zie.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Alexander G. Brown, P. E.

Norfolk:

{ Cumberland Street, Peter A. Peterson.
 { Washington Point, Henry C. Cheatham.
 Granby Street, William W. Duncan.

Portsmouth:

{ Dinwiddie Street, William E. Judkins.
 { Second Street, William G. Williams.
 Central, Joseph E. Martin.

Norfolk Circuit, Robert A. Armistead.

East Norfolk, William McGee.

Princess Anne, Joshua L. Garrett.

Eastville, Charles E. Watts.

Pungoteague, Adam C. Bledsoe.

Atlantic, Oscar Littleton.

Salisbury, Thomas A. Ware.

Berlin, Edward M. Jordan.

Cambridge, Charles V. Bingley.

Dorchester, James O. Moss.

Hampton, Thomas C. Jennings.

York, Joseph Lear.

Deale's Island, Lloyd Moore.

RAPPAHANNOCK DISTRICT.

*Joseph H. Davis, P. E.*Rappahannock, Wilbur F. Robins, John F. Poul-
ton, Sup.Culpepper, Edgar H. Pritchett, James F. Bran-
nin, Sup.

Spottsylvania, John Q. Rhodes.

Caroline, Daniel G. Butts.

King George, William F. Bain.

Westmoreland, Esmond A. Gibbs.

Heathsville, William A. Crocker.

Montross, Walter C. Taylor.

Lancaster, Thomas J. Bayton.

Middlesex, Thomas H. Boggs.

King and Queen, Josiah D. Hank.

Hanover, James R. Waggener.

President Randolph Macon College, James A.
Duncan.Agents of the Virginia Conference Sunday-school
Society, John G. Rowe and Leonidas Rosser.Philmer W. Archer and George W. Matthews,
transferred to Little Rock Conference.

Lewis H. Greybill, transferred to Baltimore Conference.

Francis J. Boggs, transferred to West St. Louis Conference.

Robert O. Burton, transferred to North Carolina Conference.

William M. Jerdone, transferred to Florida Conference.

3.—WESTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CATLETTSBURG, KY., September 7-14, 1870.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; WM. GAINES MILLER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Luther Mead, Thos. Cooper, Adam Gwin. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

R. C. Wiseman, John Pullin, R. L. R. Upton, Wm. C. Leech. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

J. W. Lambert, S. F. Burgess, G. W. Young, John Martin. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

C. Dean. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

F. B. Carroll, J. W. Lambert, S. F. Burgess. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

J. W. Lambert, G. W. Young. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Jas. W. Lambert, Geo. W. Young. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

R. N. Pool, Richard Cadwallader, C. Foster, R. Workman. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Isaac Tannin, Madison M. Hensley, Cornelius Foster. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Zephaniah Meek. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Zeph. Meek, Sanders Crawford. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

J. D. Halstead, G. J. Conner, J. A. Crowder. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Burwell Spurlock, R. Bias, Samuel P. Cummings. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joseph A. West, B. G. Hull, L. G. Chevroust. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

John Phillips (elder on trial). 1.

No memoir.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except J. E. Williamson, whose case is to be investigated by his Presiding Elder.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Mannington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Marion Circuit.....	950	.....	4
Monongalia.....	130	.....	.....
Greene.....	210	.....	.....
Martinsville and Middlebourne.....	86	.....	2
St. George.....	147	.....	2
Beverly.....	140	.....	.....
Parkersburg.....	131	.....	1
Philippi and Buckhannon.....	148	.....	3
	1941	.....	12

Clarksburg District.

Clarksburg Station.....	40	.....	.....
Millford and Weston Circuit.....	95	.....	.....
Jacksonville.....	156	.....	1
Braxton.....	245	.....	1
Webster.....	279	.....	.....
Glennville.....	440	.....	4
Calhoun.....	185	.....	1
Harrisville and West Union.....	75	.....	.....
Birch Mission.....	150	.....	.....
	1665	.....	7

Parkersburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Parkersburg Station	220	.....	1
Little Kanawha Circuit	235	2	1
Ravenswood	241	.....	2
Spencer	447	.....	2
Ripley	268	1	2
Point Pleasant	235	.....	1
	1646	3	9

Charleston District.

Charleston Circuit	430	1	5
Sissonville	125	.....	.....
Colesmouth	196	.....	4
Newport and Logan	160	.....	.....
Brownstown and Cedar Grove	145	1	4
Fayetteville and Raleigh	93	2	1
Fayette	220	3	2
Summerville	415	.....	.....
Elk Mission	150	.....	.....
Wyoming and Logan	275	.....	.....
In Lincoln county	150	.....	.....
	2359	7	16

Guyandotte District.

Guyandotte & Barboursville Circuit	310	1	2
Wayne	302	8	4
Paintsville	315	.....	6
Louisa Station	68	.....	.....
Catlettsburg	215	.....	3
Big Sandy Circuit	442	1	5
Greenupsburg and Liberty	375	2	7
Grayson	192	.....	1
Green Bottom	155	.....	1
	2374	12	29

Border District.

Buffington and Quincy Circuit	297	.....	.....
Morgan and Coves of Carter	274	.....	7
Manchester	69	.....	.....
Lick Run	125	.....	2
Kenney Mission	51	.....	2
Jackson Circuit	59	.....	1
	875	.....	12

Recapitulation.

Mannington District	1941	.....	12
Clarksburg	1665	.....	7
Parkersburg	1646	3	9
Charleston	2359	7	16
Guyandotte	2374	12	29
Border	875	.....	12
Total this year	10,860	22	85
Total last year	9,898	.....	84
Increase	962	22	1

Ques 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
198.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
535.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
146.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1139.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
6040.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
No report.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Conference collections, \$220 51
Applied as follows:

Mrs. Hargiss,	\$61 00
Mrs. Field,	61 00
Mrs. Rankin,	61 00
Mrs. Warner,	20 46
Rev. Jos. A. West,	25 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$272.93.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Charleston, Kanawha county, Western Virginia.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MANNINGTON DISTRICT.

W. Kennedy, P. E.

Marion, J. H. Burns.
Green and Monongalia, T. M. Williams, R. Upton.
Philippi and Buckhannon, W. R. Chambers.
St. George, J. W. Lambert.
Beverly, to be supplied.
Middlebourne and Martinsville, E. Kendall.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

S. H. Mullen, P. E.

Clarksburg, T. S. Wade.
West Milford, to be supplied.
Jacksonville, J. K. Hedges.
Braxton, G. W. Young.
Webster, to be supplied.
Glennville, J. S. Pullin.
Calhoun, to be supplied.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

S. K. Vaught, P. E.

Parkersburg Station, F. B. Carroll.
Parkersburg Circuit, C. F. Crooks.
Little Kanawha, to be supplied.
Ravenswood, J. M. Lauck.
Spencer, W. Downtain.
Ripley, W. C. Leech.
Point Pleasant, S. T. Mallory.

Conference Agent to collect Missionary Debt,
F. B. Carroll.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

W. Shearer, P. E.

Charleston and Malden, W. G. Miller.
Charleston Circuit, W. S. May.
Colesmouth, W. F. Claughton.
Hurricane Bridge, R. Bias, Sup.

Brownstown and Cedar Grove, J. T. Johnson.
Newport, to be supplied (by C. E. Harbor).
Wyoming Mission, to be supplied.
Fayetteville and Raleigh, R. C. Wiseman.
Fayette, S. Black.
Summerville, A. Given.
Elk Mission, J. S. Jenkins.

GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.

R. Fox, P. E.

Cabell Circuit, to be supplied (by J. G. Grobe).
Guyandotte and Barboursville, J. C. Crooks.
Wayne, S. F. Burgess.
Big Sandy, H. Moore.
Blain, to be supplied.

Paintsville, John Martin.
Catlettsburg and Ashland, to be supplied.
Greenup Circuit, H. S. Williams.
Greenupsburg and Liberty, W. Briscoe.
Louisa, L. H. Mead.

BORDER DISTRICT.

J. C. Tinsley, P. E.

Grayson Circuit, Clifton Dean.
Elliott, to be supplied (by S. Crawford).
Kenney Mission, N. T. Burchett.
Manchester, to be supplied.
Lick Run and Quincy, R. A. Claughton, F. Cooper.
Jackson, S. P. Cummings, Sup.

4.—HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WYTHEVILLE, VA., October 5-11, 1870.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; R. N. PRICE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. George A. Frazier, James K. Wolf, Wiley J. Phillips, Robert E. Smith, Charles B. Fugat, William C. Carden, William B. McElvey, John M. Keith, George W. Simpson. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Joseph L. McGhee, James R. Handy, Erastus H. Boyle, George D. French, Timothy P. Darr. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Isaac R. Ellis, Robert H. Frist. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Daniel H. Atkins, Wm. D. Mitchell, Lemuel L. H. Carlock, David R. Smith. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John R. Stradley. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

J. H. Brumer. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Daniel H. Carr, Robert H. Parker, M. L. Clendenen, A. Q. Harmon, Stephen I. Harrison, K. C. Atkins, Tyre T. Salyer, William W. Bays, G. T. Gray, G. W. K. Greene, W. W. Pyott. 11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Daniel H. Atkins, William D. Mitchell, L. L. H. Carlock, E. Embree Hoss, James K. P. Ball, Hezekiah W. Bays. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Daniel H. Atkins, William D. Mitchell, L. L. H. Carlock, E. Embree Hoss, James K. P. Ball, Hezekiah W. Bays. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas P. Summers, A. J. McBride. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William H. Weaver, Jacob T. Frazier, George W. Martin, Fleming D. Crumley, Joseph A. Wiggins. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

William H. Weaver, Jacob T. Frazier, George W. Martin, Fleming D. Crumley, Joseph A. Wiggins. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

James Fisher, Andrew Fisher, Ambrose G. Atkins, Jacob Huffaker, John M. Keith, Joshua S. Brooks, Frank Alexander, W. P. Cooper. 8.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

James Fisher, Andrew Fisher, Ambrose G. Atkins, Jacob Huffaker, John M. Keith, Frank Alexander. 6.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John N. Summers, G. M. Massey, J. T. Freeman. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

W. H. Kelley, W. P. Queen, James W. Belt, W. H. Stevens, A. Doniphan, R. W. Pickens, E. Vertegans, S. Phillips. 8.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

John Reynolds, Joseph Haskew, Timothy Sullins, Wiley B. Winton, Thomas K. Munsey, L. W. Crouch, Jacob Brillhart. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

James K. Stringfield. 1.

JAMES KING STRINGFIELD, Professor of Latin and the Natural Sciences in Asheville Female College, died at the residence of his brother-in-law, Captain John E. Ray, near Asheville, N. C., Thursday, June 2, 1870. He had a few days before left the College, on a visit to his sister, complaining of headache and pain in his left side, which soon developed into a case of pleuropneumonia. This was seemingly arrested by prompt medical attention; but after a few days the disease transferred its seat to the brain, resulting in *meningitis*—brain inflammation—of which he died after some fifty hours of intense physical agony. Professor Stringfield was the son of the late Rev. Thomas Stringfield, of the Holston Annual Conference, M. E. Church, South; and was born in the city of Nashville, March 27, 1839—his father being then the editor of the South-western Christian Advocate. Some few years thereafter, the family removed to the old homestead at Strawberry Plains, East Tennessee, where the subject of this notice spent those years of his life devoted to the basis-work of education. He was liberally educated, possessed naturally a strong and vigorous mind, thoroughly analytical and original in its researches, and though comparatively slow in its movements, yet clear and distinct in its judgment. He was emphatically a student unto his death. While prosecuting his studies, generally with more direct reference to his great vocation as a minister of our Lord Jesus Christ, he had also widened the margin of his scientific and literary acquisitions to an extent seldom reached by a man of his age. He was usually very critical and exact in his philosophic and theological studies. He was a clear and original thinker, a sound and vigorous reasoner, a pointed and forcible writer, an earnest seeker and lover of the truth, wherever found. He was steadfast in his convictions of truth, when once positively formed. Intellectually considered, he was a young man of decided ability, and gave promise of a future brilliant and full of hope and usefulness to the Church and world. Having scarcely attained the threshold of intellectual manhood, had he lived, with God's blessing, he would have made his mark upon any age as a profound thinker, an earnest vindicator of truth, and a worthy and trusted

leader in the vanguard of scientific and theological thought. But his studies are now no longer of earth. He early embraced religion, and was a consistent Christian youth. In June, 1858, one week before his father's death, he was licensed to preach; and the Sabbath following, when his father was to have preached, he went into the pulpit and filled the father's last appointment on earth; so that the son literally and truly began the work of his divine vocation, as a minister of Christ, just where the father ceased to work in the vineyard below. His faith was always simple and child-like. It was rational and firmly grounded; it was courageous, patient, and confiding. It was not fanatical or superficial. It was full of Christ, first, and midst, and last. At Chattanooga, in October, 1858, he was admitted on trial into the Holston Annual Conference, of which his father had been a member since its organization in 1824. Then and there he fully and resolutely consecrated himself and his all to God and his Church; for when the class of young men then entering the Conference with him was asked by the venerable Bishop Andrew, "whether they were willing to devote themselves to the missionary work," he distinctly and deliberately answered: "Wherever the foot of man hath trod, or the soul of man draws the breath of life, there, by the grace of God, I am willing to try to plant the standard of the cross." That vow he never recanted. The faith that inspired it would have carried him to China, had the Church so decided. He received successively the following appointments: In 1858, Wytheville Circuit; in 1859, Rheatown Circuit; in 1860, Abingdon Circuit; in 1861, Saltville Circuit; in 1862, Maryville Station. During this year he became a chaplain in the Confederate army, which position he held till the end of the war. In 1865, Hillsville Station; in 1866, Mine City Station; in 1867 and 1868, Athens Station, and in 1869 he was appointed to a Professorship in Asheville Female College. He was ordained deacon at Asheville, N. C., in October, 1860, by Bishop Paine; and elder by Bishop Early, at Athens, Tenn., in October, 1862. As an itinerant Methodist minister, he labored earnestly and zealously, and with a considerable degree of success. He was always faithful to his vocation. He never compromised its claims for the sake of either pleasure or personal reputation. He fearlessly preached (though modestly) what he believed to be the truth as it is in Jesus. This independency of men, and so-called orthodoxies, sometimes provoked the displeasure of some of his brethren, and served perchance to depreciate his real value in their estimation. He was always honest and sincere—capital qualities, and not always found allied to the ministerial character. His sermons were usually written *in extenso*, pointed and terse in style, original and natural in method and matter, suggestive and instructive, often marked by pungent and striking illustrations, abounding frequently in interesting scientific and philosophic allusions, and characterized by an earnestness and directness of delivery that never

failed to impress the hearer that he meant what he said, and said what he thought. He was incapable of double-dealing in the pulpit. He purloined no man's intellectual property, and appropriated as his own nothing that could lay a lawful claim to previous and other paternity. He disdained servility in the matter of thinking or preaching. He believed in God and in men, and entertained lofty conceptions of the dignity and responsibilities of the ministerial calling. With St. Paul, he believed that the under-shepherds ought to seek to "magnify their office." As a Christian minister, the ambition of his life (if he had any)—at least, its governing purpose—was to be and do good. It was a cardinal tenet in his creed, that a man could do good only as he was good. He was a faithful and efficient chaplain. In the army he never lowered the dignity and purity of either his vocation or his character as a man of God. Officers and men uniformly bore testimony to his fidelity and consistency. He came out from that fiery ordeal unscathed, and with no stain upon his honor as an ambassador of Christ. He remembered and obeyed the commands of his great Captain. In all the relations of life he was exemplary. As a son he was dutiful, respectful, and reverential; as a brother, affectionate, forbearing, devoted, and confiding; as a friend, true and faithful. He never married. He had but a few months labored in the College at Asheville, his last appointment. Though comparatively a stranger in our midst, he had, by his pulpit and college labors, deeply impressed the community with his great moral worth and capability for extensive usefulness. His sudden death created a profound impression. It was mysterious to us that one so gifted and young, and so full of promise to the Church, should be cut down in a day. He was never conscious, but at moments, during the raging violence of the disease. There were two points on which he seemed self-possessed—the recognition of friends and religion. In many ways he manifested a readiness for his change, and always seemed to be delighted with references to God, faith, Christ, heaven. For a short season before his death, he became perfectly quiet, and gently and peacefully breathed out life as a babe going to sleep. His funeral-sermon was preached by the Rev. John Boring, in Asheville, before a very large audience of friends and acquaintances, on Sabbath, June 5, from 2 Tim. iv. 6, 7, 8; and his remains were interred in the cemetery of the M. E. Church, South, with Masonic honors. His work is done, his sufferings are ended, and he peacefully sleeps in Jesus, awaiting the "crown of rejoicing," for which he toiled while living, and for which he now lives, though dead.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

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Wytheville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Wytheville Station.....	160	7	1
Wytheville Circuit.....	925	.....	7
Newbern.....	350	.....	3
Hillsville.....	371	5	7
Sparta.....	261	1	4
Grayson.....	925	.....	6
Jefferson.....	630	.....	7
Marion.....	700	.....	5
	4322	6	40

Jeffersonville District.

Jeffersonville Station.....	187	.....	1
Liberty Hill Circuit.....	338	2	1
Buchanan Mission.....	311	.....	1
East Tazewell Circuit.....	600	25	6
McDowell Mission.....	97	.....	2
Princeton Circuit.....	375	.....	2
Pearisburg.....	580	2	3
Flat Top Mission.....	240	.....	1
Seddonsville Circuit (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
	2726	29	17

Abingdon District.

Abingdon Station.....	107	.....	.....
Abingdon Circuit.....	660	.....	6
Saltville.....	474	.....	.....
Lebanon.....	633	.....	2
Dickensonville.....	470	12	3
Gladeville Mission.....	278	.....	5
Bristol Station.....	174	7	.....
Bristol Circuit.....	403	.....	3
	3199	19	19

Rogersville District.

Morristown & Mossy Creek Station..	257	.....	3
Russellville Circuit.....	308	1	.....
Rutledge.....	334	.....	.....
Rogersville and Kingsport.....	528	.....	5
Powell's Valley.....	541	55	5
Jonesville.....	700	40	5
Estillville.....	366	8	2
Pattonsville.....	432	.....	2
Rye Cove.....	400	.....	2
	3866	104	24

Jonesboro District.

Jonesboro and Greenville Station.....	145	1
Jonesboro and Elizabethton Circuit..	375	1	4
Rheatown and Greenville.....	406	.....	3
Blountville.....	844	.....	3
Fall Branch.....	165	.....	3
St. Clair.....	298	.....	4
Newport.....	190	3	1
Watauga.....	400	.....	6
	2823	4	25

Knoxville District.

Knoxville Station.....	300	.....	3
Knox and Lenoir Circuit.....	238	.....	1
Maryville and Louisville.....	315	.....	2
Tazewell and Jacksboro.....	315	.....	5
Dandridge and New Market.....	140	.....	.....
Clinton and Maynardsville.....	327	.....	2
Sevierville and Little River.....	115	.....	1
	1750	.....	14

Athens District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Athens Station.....	84	.....	.....
Athens Circuit.....	385	.....	2
Madisonville.....	318	.....	5
Citico Mission.....	157	.....	2
Sweetwater Circuit.....	411	1	.....
Riceville.....	282	.....	2
Decatur.....	316	.....	5
Mine City Station.....	92	.....	.....
	2045	1	16

Chattanooga District.

Chattanooga Station.....	300	.....	1
Chattanooga Circuit.....	192	.....	2
Cleveland Station.....	125	.....	1
Cleveland Circuit.....	369	.....	.....
Charleston and Calhoun Station.....	138	.....	1
Benton.....	115	.....	1
Trenton Circuit.....	428	1	4
Etna.....	393	.....	5
	2060	1	15

Pikeville District.

Pikeville Circuit.....	215	.....	2
Jasper.....	245	.....	1
Washington.....	242	5	5
Hamilton.....	80	.....	1
Kingston.....	290	2	4
Tracy City Mission.....	196	.....	3
Cumberland and Jamestown.....	157	.....	1
	1425	7	17

Asheville District.

Asheville Station.....	190	.....	3
Asheville Circuit.....	430	.....	4
Sulphur Springs.....	640	.....	3
Brevard.....	358	.....	2
Hendersonville.....	280	.....	1
Catawba.....	394	1	2
Burnsville.....	540	.....	2
Marshall and Pine Creek.....	206	1	2
	3038	2	19

Franklin District.

Franklin Circuit.....	602	7
Murphy.....	254	14	.....
Fort Embree.....	284	2	4
Webster.....	422	.....	1
Waynesville.....	529	1	3
Cheoa Mission.....	128	.....	.....
Echota Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....
	2219	17	15
*Indians.....	82	.....	.....

Recapitulation.

Wytheville District.....	4322	6	40
Jeffersonville ".....	2726	29	17
Abingdon ".....	3199	19	19
Rogersville ".....	3866	104	24
Jonesboro ".....	2823	4	25
Knoxville ".....	1750	.....	14
Athens ".....	2045	1	16
Chattanooga ".....	2060	1	15
Pikeville ".....	1425	7	17
Asheville ".....	3038	2	19
Franklin ".....	2219	17	15
Total this year.....	29,473	190	221
Total last year.....	29,726	272	239
Decrease.....	255	82	18
Increase, Indians 12.			

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1147.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1340.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
388.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers and officers?
2646.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
18,044.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$1,650.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$857 25

Applied as follows:

T. K. Munsey,	\$100 00
W. B. Winton,	40 00
J. Haskeew,	10 00
Mrs. M. Stevens,	55 00
Mrs. M. Fleming,	50 00
Mrs. M. Goodykoontz,	70 00
Mrs. E. Cunningham,	60 00
Miss Bettie Wagg,	10 00
Mrs. Foster,	55 00
Mrs. W. Boring,	27 25
Mrs. W. W. Smith,	50 00
Mrs. Falls,	70 00
Mrs. C. Mitchell,	20 00
T. Sullins,	65 00
Mrs. U. Keener,	100 00
Mrs. J. G. Swisher,	20 00
Mrs. Murphy,	

\$857 25

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

For Domestic Missions,	\$1,294 90
For Foreign Missions,	558 40

\$1,853 30

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Morristown, Tennessee.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. Dickey, P. E.

Wytheville Station, Henry C. Neal,
Wytheville Circuit, Sam'l D. Gains, J. K. Wolf,
Newbern, B. W. S. Bishop, G. A. Frazier.
Hillsville, K. C. Atkins.
Jacksonville, W. H. Barns.
Grayson, G. W. Callahan.
Jefferson, Milton L. Clendenen.
Marion, G. W. Miles.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

Wm. Hicks, P. E.

Jeffersonville Station, L. K. Haynes.
Liberty Hill Circuit, B. F. White, J. W. Bowman.
Buchanan Mission, A. Q. Harman.
East Tazewell Circuit, Jacob T. Frazier, W. H. Kelley, Sup.
McDowell Mission, to be supplied (by William M. Crawford).
Seddonville Circuit, Patton J. Lockhart.
Pearisburg, Tobias F. Smith.
Princeton, Timothy P. Davis.
Flat Top Mission, to be supplied (by J. W. Holbrook).

ABINGDON DISTRICT.

William Robeson, P. E.

Abingdon Station, W. G. E. Cunyningham, A. Doniphan, Sup.
Abingdon Circuit, E. W. Moore, J. Haskew, Sup.
Bristol Station, W. W. Bays.
Bristol Circuit, W. P. Doane.
Saltville, F. A. Farley, E. Vertegans, Sup.
Lebanon, Josiah H. Torbitt.
Dickensonville, J. M. Crismond.
Gladeville Mission, to be supplied (by J. N. Boyd).
Emory and Henry College, E. E. Wiley, President; James A. Davis, Professor.
Martha Washington College, B. Arbogast, Pres't.
Mountain View High School, D. Sullins, Pres't.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

George Stuart, P. E.

Jonesboro and Greenville Station, J. L. M. French.
Jonesboro Circuit, S. R. Wheeler, J. R. Payne.
Rheatown, A. J. Frazier.
Green, W. D. Mitchell.
Blountville, John C. Heyden.
Fall Branch, Stephen J. Harrison.
St. Clair, D. B. Carter.
Newport, James Mahoney.
Watauga and Taylorsville, L. C. Delashmit.
Elizabethton, to be supplied (by J. M. Johnson).

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

Frank Richardson, P. E.

Morristown and Mossy Creek Station, R. N. Price.
Morristown Circuit, C. K. Miller.
Rutledge, A. E. Woodward.
Rogersville and Kingsport, David R. Smith.
Estillville, F. D. Crumley, W. P. Queen, Sup.
Rye Cove and Sneedville, W. J. Phillips, J. W. Belt, Sup.
Jonesville, P. S. Sutton.
Powell's Valley, John D. Baldwin.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. McTeer, P. E.

Knoxville Station, E. E. Hoss.

North Knoxville, G. D. French.
Maryville and Louisville Circuit, G. W. K. Green.
Knox and Lenoir, George T. Gray.
Maynardsville, Thomas H. Handy.
Clinton, to be supplied (by R. A. Hutsell).
Jacksboro, D. H. Carr.
Dandridge and New Market, T. T. Salyer.
Sevierville and Little River, G. W. Simpson.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

Carroll Long, P. E.

Athens Station, R. H. Parker.
Athens Circuit, B. F. Nuckolls.
Sweetwater, J. H. Keeth, R. M. Hickey.
Philadelphia, Coleman Campbell.
Loudon Station, S. B. Harwell.
Madisonville Circuit, J. L. McGhee.
Decatur, L. L. H. Carlock.
Riceville, James T. Smith.
Telico Mission, J. R. Stradley.
Cane Creek Academy, John H. Brunner, Pres't.
Hiwassee College, F. M. Grace, President.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

C. T. Carroll, P. E.

Chattanooga Station, James Atkins.
Chattanooga Circuit, W. C. Carden.
Cleveland Station, G. Taylor.
Cleveland Circuit, W. W. Pyott.
Charleston and Calhoun Station, D. H. Atkins.
Benton Circuit, to be supplied (by J. Keener).
Etna, W. L. Turner.
Trenton, H. W. Bays.

PIKEVILLE DISTRICT.

W. W. Neal, P. E.

Pikeville Circuit, E. H. Bogle.
Jasper, W. B. Lyda.
Washington, Jacob Smith.
Hamilton and North Chickamauga Mission, W. B. McElvey.
Kingston Circuit, E. F. Lyons, S. Phillips, Sup.
Tracy City and Spencer Mission, E. W. Marsh.
Cumberland and Jamestown Mission, H. M. Bennett.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

John Boring, P. E.

Asheville Station, W. H. Bates.
Asheville Circuit, T. J. Pope, R. W. Pickens, Sup.
Sulphur Springs, W. H. Cooper.
Brevard, J. W. Bird.
Hendersonville, J. K. P. Ball.
Catawba, to be supplied (by E. H. Hampton).
Burnsville, G. W. Martin.
Bakersville and Cranberry Mission, to be supplied (by T. M. Dula).
Marshall Circuit and Pine Creek Mission, R. E. Smith.
Asheville Female College, J. S. Kennedy, President; W. C. Bowman, Professor.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

J. R. Long, P. E.

Franklin Circuit, T. F. Glenn.

Murphy, S. V. Bates, W. H. Stevens, Sup.

Mine City Station, J. S. W. Neal.

Fort Embree Circuit, W. H. Weaver.

Webster, N. W. Vaughan.

Waynesville, Joseph A. Wiggins.

Echota Mission, to be supplied (by Enola).

Cheoa, to be supplied (by C. Bird).

Blue Ridge, Charles B. Fugate.

5.—NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GREENSBORO, N. C., November 23–29, 1870.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; B. CRAVEN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Lemuel H. Gibbons, Junius T. Harriss, A. A. Boshamer, Wm. B. Maness, Andrew M. Long, Robert M. Brown, Frank L. Reid. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James J. Carden, Edward Howland, Joseph J. Renn, John F. Heitman, William D. Lee, Thomas P. England, James T. McElhaney, William T. McClellion, Joseph L. Keene, Hugh F. Wiley, Wm. R. Ferguson, James Mahoney. 12.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Leonidas W. Crawford, John J. Prather, Abner K. Murchison. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John N. Somers, Solomon H. Helsabeck. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Robert O. Burton, J. S. Nelson, M. H. Hoyle, E. F. Dixon. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

William H. Call, Baxter C. Phillips, Squire M. Davis, George C. Bynum. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Leonidas W. Crawford, John F. Heitman, Abner K. Murchison. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

L. W. Crawford, John F. Heitman. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Frank Sandford, Wm. F. Needham, Josiah Bowdoin. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Josiah Bowdoin. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Hiram P. Cole, Joseph R. Griffith. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Hiram P. Cole, Joseph R. Griffith. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Isaac M. Shaver, Thomas S. Whittington. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Isaac M. Shaver, Thomas S. Whittington, Amos Gregson. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

S. Lander, Jonathan H. Dally. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

John Jones, Gaston Farrar. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Wm. Holmes, B. T. Blake, Henry Gray, John W. Floyd, Samuel B. Dozier, Isham H. Hill. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Wm. H. Wheeler, George W. Deems, W. G. Tuttle. 3.

WILLIAM H. WHEELER was born in Darlington, S. C., August 7, 1837. He was converted to God in the year 1856, and joined the North Carolina Conference on trial in 1858. His health was feeble for several years prior to his death, and in several instances it became necessary for him to leave his work. In the summer of 1869 his health totally failed, and he returned to his father's house to die; but, reviving somewhat, he was borne to the Conference in Newbern to shake hands and hold sweet communion with his brethren for the last time. Desiring, as a good soldier, to die in the harness, he asked and obtained a supernumerary relation, and returned

to his father's house in Leasburg, N. C., where his pure spirit passed from earth to heaven on the 25th of December, 1869. His character was lovely—an humble and meek follower of Jesus, a dutiful son, a faithful Christian minister. "He was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith," and died in great peace.

GEORGE W. DEEMS was born in the city of Baltimore on the 29th of September, 1789; married April 2, 1811, and was converted the year following, through the instrumentality of his wife, who was a daughter of Rev. Zachary Roberts, a cousin of Bishop Roberts. He was licensed to preach 14th July, 1829, by Rev. Christopher Frye; was received on trial in the Baltimore Conference in 1835, and was, at the same time, ordained a deacon by Bishop Emory; was ordained elder by Bishop Waugh in 1838. He continued to travel in the Baltimore Conference until the year 1850. From 1850 to 1859 he was a member of the Virginia Conference. He became a member of the North Carolina Conference at its session held in Beaufort, December, 1859. At this Conference he was appointed to Topsail Circuit; in 1860 to Snow Hill Circuit, where he remained two years, and in 1862 to Kinston and Lenoir Institute. He then, for two or three years, received nominal appointments, and was at length placed in a superannuated relation, in which relation he was continued to the close of his life. In all the Conferences in which he traveled he was successful in winning souls to Christ; and in some instances very powerful revivals crowned his labors. The latter part of Brother Deems's life was spent in the city of Baltimore. For nine months previous to his death, as we learn from his son, the Rev. Dr. Deems, his bodily sufferings were very excruciating, but his soul was most happy. During his affliction he desired to be affectionately remembered to his brethren of the North Carolina Conference. His death occurred on Sunday, July 3, 1870. He was a good and useful man, and we doubt not has entered into rest.

W. G. TUTTLE was born on the 14th September, 1846, and departed this life in great peace on the 20th of October, 1870. He joined the M. E. Church, South, in the year 1864, at about the 18th year of his age. His early childhood life was blessed with a pious mother's training and prayers, the fruits of which were shown in his early youth, being remarkable for his amiability and a fine and delicate sense of moral obligation. So conspicuous was this trait of character exemplified in his youth, that it seems almost strange that he did not, in earlier life, identify himself with the Church and God's people. When, however, he was converted, and solemnly dedicated his heart and life to God, he felt impressed that upon him was laid the duty of preaching the gospel. So clear and urgent was this conviction, that he immediately entered upon such a persevering course of mental training and discipline as no doubt overtaxed his physical powers and contributed much to-

ward the early development of the pulmonary disease which so rapidly terminated his life. Brother Tuttle was admitted to trial in the South Carolina Conference, at their session in Abbeville in the fall of 1868, and appointed to Columbus Circuit. His labors here, though performed in some feebleness, were very acceptable; and in the year 1869 he was appointed the junior preacher on the Marion (McDowell county) Circuit. Very early in the year his health failed so much and so rapidly that he returned home in Caldwell county to die. In his deportment he was pure and upright; in his estimate of himself, remarkably diffident and unassuming—so much so, that nothing but a clear conviction of his duty in regard to the ministry could ever have induced him to undertake so great a work; but when having yielded to these convictions of duty, his preaching evinced that his heart was in the work. His preaching was plain and practical, pointed and instructive, and was made instrumental in building up and increasing the membership of the Church in these fields of labor. His last illness was protracted for several months. When, however, it became apparent that he must die, he at once set about arranging his business and his work—called to his bedside the Rev. P. L. Herman, the pastor of Lenoir Circuit, who visited him from time to time, and to whom he expressed his feelings and prospects in immediate view of death, evincing great calmness and resignation. When asked if he had any message for his brethren in the ministry, he replied, "Tell my brethren of the Conference that had I my life to live over again, I would spend it all in preaching Christ and him crucified." Again, at another time, he remarked, in great peace and hope, "All is well! Jesus is near!" He then called all around him to prayer, requested the prayers to be audible, and joined in with great earnestness and fervor. Still again, as he passed down into the river, and the waters and waves gathered around his bark, he called all around him to prayer, requesting that their petitions be special that "his faith fail not," quoting in clear voice the promise, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Finally, with perfect rationality, and seeming to comprehend that the very moment of his departure had come, he reached forth his arms, already chilled and benumbed by death, pulled up his bed-covering, adjusted his hands across his bosom, opened his eyes, ran them around his bed as if to take a last view of earthly friends and scenes, and almost immediately fell asleep in Jesus—a death so sublimely triumphant that as to elevate most forcibly.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except J. J. Hines, who was expelled on a charge of immorality.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Raleigh District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh City.....	312	.....	5
Raleigh Mission.....	61	.....	.....
Smithfield.....	417	5	1
Tar River.....	753	22	5
Louisburg.....	124	.....	.....
Granville.....	763	14	5
Henderson.....	585	24	1
Nashville.....	653	22	1
Wilson.....	.....	.....	.....
Rollsville.....	337	2	3
Wake.....	312	3	1
	4317	92	22

Hillsboro District.

Hillsboro.....	275	.....	.....
Chapel Hill and Haw River.....	422	85	6
Durham's.....	493	28	2
Pittsboro.....	552	6	1
Franklinsville.....	325	4	1
South Guilford.....	397	.....	3
Leasburg.....	351	.....	1
Person.....	483	39	1
High Rock.....	163	16	.....
Alamance.....	327	.....	1
	3788	178	16

Greensboro District.

Greensboro.....	170	.....	.....
Guilford.....	426	.....	2
Asheboro.....	670	4	2
Trinity and High Point.....	215	.....	4
Thomasville.....	146	.....	.....
Davidson.....	661	.....	2
Forsythe.....	763	13	8
Winston.....	176	57	.....
Yanceyville.....	444	26	1
Wentworth.....	510	50	1
Stokes.....	395	15	1
Madison.....	235	34	4
	4811	199	25

Salisbury District.

Salisbury.....	176	2	1
Rowan.....	141	.....	.....
East Rowan.....	282	.....	2
Mocksville.....	736	.....	2
Yadkinsville.....	339	.....	2
Surry.....	315	23	7
Mount Airy.....	269	1	2
Wilkes.....	286	6	2
Alexander.....	650	.....	2
Iredell.....	578	5	2
South Iredell.....	280	.....	1
	4052	37	23

Shelby District.

Shelby.....	114	1
Shelby Circuit.....	965	.....	6
Lincolnton.....	250	1	.....
South Fork.....	685	8	5
Rock Spring.....	948	3	2
Dallas.....	229	1	.....
Pineville.....	140	.....	1
Charlotte.....	300	.....	3
Calvary Mission.....	68	.....	.....
Fair Prospect.....	29	.....	.....
North Charlotte.....	500	.....	.....
Lenoir.....	784	11	6
Newton.....	760	10	.....
Happy Home.....	584	.....	1
Morganton.....	726	.....	2
	7082	34	27

Wadesboro District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wadesboro.....	521	20	.....
Ansonville.....	400	10	3
Albemarle.....	583	.....	3
Concord.....	254	8	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	438	4	3
Monroe Station.....	105	6	2
Monroe Circuit.....	650	.....	2
Pleasant Grove.....	590	1	1
South Charlotte.....	550	2	1
	4091	51	15

Spartanburg District.

Rutherford.....	588	.....	2
Cherry Mount Mission.....	270	.....	1
Marion.....	496	.....	2
Upper Broad River Mission.....	50	.....	.....
	1404	.....	5

Washington District.

Washington and Greenville.....	191	2
Warren.....	493	1	4
Roanoke.....	703	2	4
Wilson.....	134	.....	.....
Tarboro.....	142	.....	.....
Williamston.....	383	.....	3
Plymouth.....	47	.....	.....
Columbia.....	375	.....	2
Mattamuskeet.....	646	.....	2
Portsmouth.....	310	.....	5
Bath.....	222	11	1
	3646	14	23

Newbern District.

Newbern.....	218	1
Beaufort.....	270	.....	2
Straits.....	195	.....	1
Trent.....	309	.....	3
Jones.....	135	.....	.....
Snow Hill.....	543	.....	4
Newbern Circuit.....	139	.....	1
Goldsboro.....	123	.....	1
Everettsville.....	322	7	1
Wayne.....	390	.....	4
Kinston.....	67	.....	1
Neuse.....	283	.....	1
Lenoir.....	135	.....	1
	3109	7	21

Wilmington District.

Wilmington:			
Front Street.....	268	10	2
Fifth Street.....	160	.....	1
Topsail.....	353	22	2
Kenansville.....	209	7	.....
Magnolia.....	305	.....	.....
Clinton.....	403	25	2
Cokesbury.....	515	5	2
Bladen.....	307	2	1
Elizabeth.....	302	.....	.....
Whitesville.....	287	.....	.....
Smithville.....	388	.....	2
Onslow.....	342	2	1
	3839	73	13

Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville.....	266	.....	.....
Cumberland.....	310	.....	2
Robeson.....	785	177	6
Rockingham.....	920	.....	7
Montgomery.....	518	25	1
Uwharrie.....	750	.....	.....
Cape Fear.....	470	315	8
Jonesboro.....	501	.....	1

Fayetteville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Troy.....	732	2	2
Deep River.....	640	1	4
	5892	520	31

Recapitulation.

Raleigh District.....	4317	92	22
Hillsboro ".....	3788	178	16
Greensboro ".....	4811	199	25
Salisbury ".....	4052	37	23
Washington ".....	3646	14	23
Newbern ".....	3129	7	21
Wilmington ".....	3839	73	13
Fayetteville ".....	5892	520	31
Shelby ".....	7082	34	27
Wadesboro ".....	4091	51	15
Spartanburg ".....	1404	.....	5
Total this year.....	46,051	1205	221
Total last year.....	32,924	1202	176
Increase.....	13,127	3	45

[The statistics comprise the members transferred from the South Carolina Conference.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1398.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1866.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
597.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
3703.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
24,848.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$5,200.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2138 88
Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$2111.95.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Charlotte, N. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

N. F. Reid, P. E.

Raleigh City, L. S. Burkhead.
Wesley Chapel, to be supplied (by S. R. Trawick).
Wake, J. T. Harriss.
Rollsville, J. J. Renn.

Smithfield, J. E. Thompson.
Tar River, P. J. Carraway.
Louisburg, O. J. Brent.
Granville, A. D. Betts.
Henderson, H. H. Gibbons.
Nash, Z. Rush.
Rock Spring Mission, M. J. Hunt.
Wilson Mission, to be supplied.
Editor Raleigh Christian Advocate, J. B. Bobbitt.
Agents Sunday-schools, J. Reid and S. Leard.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

W. H. Bobbitt, P. E.

Greensboro, J. A. Cuninggim.
Guilford, C. H. Phillips, N. H. D. Wilson.
Trinity College and High Point, to be supplied.
Thomasville, C. M. Pepper.
Davidson, R. G. Barrett.
Ashboro, D. C. Johnson.
Forsyth, S. H. Helsabeck.
Winston, W. W. Albea.
Stokes, to be supplied (by J. T. Gibbs).
Madison, F. L. Reid.
Wentworth, J. W. Lewis.
Yanceyville, L. Shell.
Agent American Bible Society, Ira T. Wyche.
President Trinity College, B. Craven.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Wm. Barringer, P. E.

Hillsboro, L. W. Crawford.
Alamance, T. J. Gattis.
Chapel Hill and Haw River, J. B. Martin.
Durham, J. Tillett.
Pittsboro, W. H. Moore.
Franklinsville, E. A. Howland.
Leasburg, J. H. Wheeler.
Person, M. C. Thomas.
South Guilford, G. C. Bynum.
High Rock Mission, A. Norman.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

M. L. Wood, P. E.

Salisbury, J. W. Wheeler.
Rowan, C. Plyler.
Union, T. L. Triplett.
Mocksville, J. S. Nelson.
Jonesville, to be supplied (by Miles Foy).
Surry, W. B. Maness.
Mount Airy, S. D. Peeler.
Alexander, J. N. Somers.
Iredell, J. F. Smoot, one to be supplied.
Wilkes, G. E. Wyche.
South Iredell Circuit, J. L. Keen.

SHELBY DISTRICT.

E. W. Thompson, P. E.

Shelby, J. W. North.
Shelby Circuit, J. S. Erwin.
Lincolnton, W. D. Lee.
South Fork, J. W. Abernathy.
Rock Spring, T. P. Ricaud.

Dallas, J. T. McElhany.
 Lenoir, P. L. Hermon.
 Newton, D. May.
 Happy Home, S. M. Davis.
 Morganton, G. W. Ivey.
 McDowell, W. C. Wilson.
 Upper Broad River Mission, A. M. Long.
 Rutherford, V. A. Sharpe.
 Columbus Mission, to be supplied (by D. C. Stimson).
 Cherry Mountain, T. P. England.
 South Mountain Mission, to be supplied (by L. C. White).
 President Davenport Female College, W. M. Robey.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

W. S. Black, P. E.

Charlotte, A. W. Mangum.
 Calvary Mission, to be supplied.
 North Charlotte, M. H. Hoyle.
 Pineville, W. S. Haltom.
 South Charlotte, R. M. Brown.
 Monroe, E. F. Dixon.
 Monroe Circuit, to be supplied (by T. P. Guerny).
 Pleasant Grove, C. E. Land.
 Concord, D. R. Bruton.
 Mount Pleasant, T. A. Boon.
 Albemarle, J. C. Hartsell.
 Ansonville, J. W. Puett.
 Wadesboro, M. V. Sherrill, W. T. McClellion.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. P. Moore, P. E.

Fayetteville, J. E. Mann.
 Cumberland, H. P. Cole.
 Robeson, W. M. Jordan.
 Rockingham, T. W. Guthrie.
 Montgomery, B. C. Phillips.
 Uwharrie, J. B. Alford.
 Troy Mission, T. C. Moses.
 Deep River, L. H. Gibbons.
 Jonesboro, B. B. Culbreth, Gaston Farrar, Sup.
 Buckhorn, I. W. Avent.
 Laurinburg, to be supplied.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Wm. Closs, P. E.

Wilmington:
 Front Street, R. S. Moran.
 Fifth Street, F. H. Wood.
 Topsail, R. S. Webb.

Kenansville, J. B. Bailey.
 Magnolia, A. A. Boshamer.
 Clinton, J. C. Thomas.
 Bladen, T. M. Anderson.
 Elizabeth, A. K. Murchison.
 Whitesville, to be supplied.
 Smithville, H. F. Wiley, W. R. Ferguson.
 Onslow, R. T. N. Stephenson.
 Cokesbury, J. D. Buie.
 Church of the Strangers, N. Y., C. F. Deems.

NEWBERN DISTRICT.

E. A. Yates, P. E.

Newbern, L. L. Hendren.
 Beaufort, J. W. Jenkins.
 Straits, W. M. D. Moore.
 Trent, W. F. Clegg, John Jones, Sup.
 Kinston, W. D. Meacham.
 Jones, J. J. Carden.
 Snow Hill, W. S. Chaffin.
 Swift Creek Mission, N. A. Hooker.
 Newbern Circuit, to be supplied (by D. W. Porter).
 Lenoir, D. Culbreth.
 Goldsboro, J. R. Griffith.
 Wilson, C. C. Dodson.
 Everettsville, J. R. Brooks.
 Wayne, J. N. Andrews.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

S. D. Adams, P. E.

Washington and Greenville, W. H. Call.
 Neuse, T. B. Reeks.
 Warrenton, H. T. Hudson.
 Warren, R. A. Willis.
 Roanoke, W. C. Gannon.
 Tarboro, Joseph Wheeler.
 Williamston, J. Mahoney.
 Plymouth, J. F. Heitman.
 Columbia, to be supplied (by F. B. Andrews).
 Mattamuskeet, A. R. Raven.
 Portsmouth, Ocracoke, and Hatteras, C. W. King.
 Bath, R. P. Bibb.
 Superintendent Work of Colored People in Virginia and North Carolina, R. O. Burton.
 Transferred to South Carolina Conference,
 R. P. Franks, A. P. Avant, J. Finger, F. M. Kennedy, R. R. Pegues, R. R. Dagnall, and E. J. Meynardie.
 Transferred to the White River Conference,
 J. J. Prather.

6.—SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CHARLESTON, S. C., December 7-12, 1870.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; F. MILTON KENNEDY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. J. Sidney Beaseley, George M. Boyd, E. Toland Hodges, Robert N. Wells, Welborn D. Kirkland, George W. Gatlin, Richard D. Smart. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
Jesse A. Clifton, George T. Harmon, J. Marion Boyd, Joseph F. England, Albert G. Gantt. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
Robert M. Harrison. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
Thomas E. Wannamaker, Lewis C. Loyal, William Thomas, J. Claudius Miller, George J. Griffiths. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
Samuel Lander. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
F. Milton Kennedy, Abram P. Avant, Elias J. Meynardie, Robert P. Franks, Richard R. Dagnall, R. Randolph Pegues, John Finger. 7.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
Silas P. H. Elwell, Reuben L. Duffie. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
George James Griffiths. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
George James Griffiths. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
Aaron J. Joy, William A. Furnell, Alexander J. Wilson (white). 3. July Harris, Jacob North (colored). 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
Aaron J. Joy, Alexander J. Wilson, Charles M. Greer (white). 3. July Harris, Jacob North (colored). 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
George James Griffiths, Robert L. Harper. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
George James Griffiths, Robert L. Harper. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Nathan L. Swett, Jonathan Sanford. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Nathan L. Swett, Jonathan Sanford. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
Robert B. Tarrant, Charles Betts, A. McCorquodale, F. M. Morgan, R. C. Oliver, Whitefoord Smith, Samuel B. Jones, T. Sumter Daniel, R. B. Allston, L. A. Johnson, J. D. Carpenter, J. A. Wood. 12.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
N. Talley, J. W. Townsend, W. C. Patterson, D. Derrick, M. L. Banks, L. Scarboro, A. L. Smith, E. J. Pennington, A. B. Stephens. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Alexander W. Walker, John R. Pickett, Evan A. Lemond, E. George Gage. 4.

ALEXANDER WADDELL WALKER was born in Charleston, S. C., January 22, 1815. He received the benefits of a good grammar-school education, and being endowed with a clear and sound mind, his early advantages were improved in after years. In his youth he was engaged with his father and brothers in an extensive marble-yard, and in this department of manual labor he displayed both skill and taste. His parents being attendants on the First Presbyterian Church, he was brought up from a child to the regular attendance of the services of that Church. In the year 1830 he was led to attend the Young Men's Prayer-meeting at Trinity Church, where he was brought to feel his sinfulness, and soon after to know, in a joyful experience, the sufficiency of his Saviour's grace. His twin brother Charles, and a goodly number of his father's large family, professed their faith in the Lord Jesus about the same time. The house was now filled with the voice of praise and prayer. The twin brothers soon felt a strong desire to be more useful in the Lord's vineyard; and, being persuaded that God had called them to the work of the ministry, endeavored to prepare themselves for this respon-

sible work. They were admitted together as probationers into the South Carolina Conference at the session of 1834, held in the basement of the parsonage, at the corner of Pitt and Boundary streets, in the city of Charleston, Bishop Emory presiding. And now the twins, who were so much alike in looks that they could scarcely be distinguished apart, and who had been used to work side by side, was separated and sent to opposite fields of labor—Charles to Black Swamp and Alexander to Laurens. Thus entering upon the ministry when only nineteen years old, our Brother Alexander gave the full strength of his young manhood and the experience of his riper years to this blessed work. For twenty-three years he did effective service on circuit, mission, and station, in the up-country and in the lowlands, in the miasma of the swamps and rice-fields, and in the bracing air of the mountains, to the white man and to the black man, to the polite and refined, and to the rude and uncultivated. After the death of his brother Charles, in 1857, he settled in Spartanburg, and took the relation of a supernumerary, which he held till 1861. At the beginning of the war, though over the legal age for military service, he volunteered as a private, and continued in the service for two years. He was then honorably discharged, and returned home with his health seriously impaired. The severe service in Virginia had been too much for his years and constitution, and probably hastened the termination of his mortal life. For several years he bore the relation of a superannuated preacher in the Conference; yet even then, as far as his strength allowed, he found his greatest pleasure in preaching, and labored with great acceptance among the Churches near him. His whole heart was given to his Lord, and in the prayer-meetings and love-feasts he would often speak of his longing to depart and be with Christ. At length the physical nature which seemed to have been sustained by the spirit that was in him, gave way, and, the mind sympathizing with the body, his last days were marked with more than ordinary infirmity, and death was a merciful release. Brother Walker was distinguished for the purity and honesty of his character, for his truthfulness and sincerity, for his kindness and generosity of heart. Often in the Missionary-meetings of our Conference was his name found among the largest contributors. He possessed great courage and constancy in the support of his conscientious convictions, while he was always modest in the expression of his sentiments. Affectionate and loving, he won the love of his brethren, and, dying, he has left behind him a name which "is as ointment poured forth."

JOHN R. PICKETT was born April 2, 1814, in Fairfield District, S. C., and brought up under the influence of a godly mother and pious grandfather. He was converted in 1831, licensed to preach Oct. 24, 1834, and entered the South Carolina Conference as a probationer, February, 1835. If Brother Pickett could have enjoyed in early life the advantages of severe scholastic

training, such as would have directed his quick perceptive powers into habits of patient thought, and developed properly his unusual faculty for the acquisition of languages, he would probably, in after life, have been justly regarded as one of the finest scholars and ablest ministers ever sent forth from the South Carolina Conference. He was not wanting in powers of analysis, nor in imagination. He had a strong passion for metaphysical disquisition, and considered himself bound to do reverence to the great German masters of thought. It is not unlikely that the usefulness of his preaching in later years may have been injured by his fondness for dealing in the intricacies of metaphysical learning. His aspirations after universal scholarship marked his life from the beginning of his itinerant course until its close. Well do many of his friends remember the immense Polyglot Bible which he carried with him in a huge tin case for years, and which was his daily companion on all his circuits in early life. He was a great reader of periodical literature, and the great English Reviews were eagerly devoured by him. Perhaps a single remark, said to have been made by a learned D.D., will fitly describe his intellectual attainments: "He knows some thing about every thing, and a great deal about some things." In temper he was genial, hearty, self-possessed, and confident. No one ever saw him shy or moody, or heard him complain of want of appreciation. He had a comfortable persuasion that he was equal to any occasion, and he met it accordingly. Brother Pickett was a *manly* man. His conclusions were boldly expressed; and whether his congregations agreed with him or not, they could not help admiring the fearlessness of the man. He had the simplicity of a child, both in and out of the pulpit. His manner in the pulpit was self-possessed and deliberate; but as he proceeded in his sermon, he generally warmed with his subject, and his voice assumed a depth and fullness of volume which was wonderful. He was, in early life, one of the sweetest singers among us, and he often used this talent most efficiently in the pulpit. As a Christian and preacher, he was intensely *Methodistic*. Baptized in early life into the communion of the M. E. Church, by that distinguished preacher, the Rev. Hilliard Judge, and carefully instructed in its peculiar doctrines and usages, he regarded himself a Methodist by inheritance, as well as conviction. His devotion to his mother during her life, and to her memory when dead, was most complete. On all suitable occasions he alluded to his indebtedness to her for his moral and religious training. As a husband he is known to have cherished with the utmost tenderness his invalid wife, who, but for his kindness must have preceded him to the grave several years ago. He was as remarkable for a large-hearted charity as for purity in private life; hence he was always found the advocate of the accused—rarely the prosecutor of a charge. That he had weaknesses and infirmities must be admitted; without them he would not have been human. A life so irreproachable as his, extending over as many years of toil,

trial, and suffering, and maintained so constantly to its triumphant close, gives evidence that he was no ordinary man. What a fearful struggle did he have for eight years against that insidious disease—paralysis—to which at last he fell a victim! What years of alternating hope and fear these must have been! How fearful to feel himself gradually encircled in the icy arms of death! And yet it was to him a time of resignation and triumph. How sad to his friends to look upon his disturbed features and wasted form at the last session of the Conference, and yet witness the brilliant flashes of an intellect apparently growing brighter by contact with a decaying body, and a zeal for the cause of Christ intensified by the near approach of death! We hardly realize that it was the increased brightness of a consuming candle just before it expires. With tears he asked for a superannuated relation, which with tears was granted. He came to his own home at Chester, where, having made his wife comfortable, he gradually faded away until the 15th day of March, 1870, when he passed into the spirit-land. Some of his last words were expressive of his entire submission to the will of God, not fearing death, but regretting only to leave his wife to grieve over his departure. And when she prayed that his life might be prolonged, he told her that this was wrong; that she ought to pray for the will of the Lord to be done, and that this was his prayer.

EVAN A. LEMOND was born in Union county, N. C., September 3, 1825. He was admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference in the year 1856, and in the following year served the Lexington Circuit. In 1858 and 1859 he was on the Greenville Circuit. In 1860 and 1861 he served the Wateree Mission, and in 1862 and 1863 the Sandy River Mission. In 1864 and 1865, he traveled the Monroe Circuit, and in 1866 he was returned again to the Sandy River Mission. In 1867 and 1868 he was appointed to the Mt. Pleasant Circuit, and in 1869 he received his last appointment, which was to the Pineville Circuit. During this year the progress of his disease—pulmonary consumption—admonished him that he could not long continue in the active work of the ministry, and drew from him expressions of regret that he must cease from a work so dear to his heart, for he loved to preach the gospel. At our last Conference session at Cheraw, he received a superannuated relation. He then returned to his old home, where he continued to decline till exhausted nature sunk, and he entered into rest on the 17th of February, 1870. During his last illness he was always cheerful and hopeful, confident of his acceptance with his heavenly Father, and calmly waiting till his change should come. He was a good and faithful man, and a successful laborer in the vineyard of the Lord.

EDWARD G. GAGE, on the 21st of May, 1870, at Graniteville, S. C., ceased at once to work and live. His death was most unexpected. Of all

the members of the South Carolina Conference, he would have been one of the last, it might have been supposed, who would have been so early called to resign his commission with his life. In the prime of manhood, already a tried and proved minister of the New Testament, of robust frame, indicating health and longevity, his habits and manners being promotive of these, his style of preaching logical rather than emotional, his manner calm and collected rather than excited and impassioned, active but temperate, zealous but prudent—it would scarcely have been supposed the wheels of life with him would so soon have stood still. But how vain are all human calculations! On May 10th, but eleven days anterior to his death, he wrote thus: "My arrangements are such that I cannot give you a Sabbath before the fifth Sabbath of this month. If this will be any service to you, I think *now* that I can give you that Sabbath." On the Sabbath before the one on which he had promised to be in Columbia, holding forth the word of life from the pulpit, he lay coffined beneath it, with death's everlasting impress of silence upon his lips. But that lifeless corpse of God's minister, who was so suddenly cut off, but so in readiness to go, may have preached a sermon to the immense congregation in the church there and then assembled, and its appropriate text might well have been, "Be ye also ready." Brother Gage was born in Union District, S. C., June 11, 1832, joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1844, and was admitted into the South Carolina Conference in 1856. He had filled acceptably many of the most important appointments in the Church. He was an attentive and sympathizing pastor, and an increasingly-improving preacher, studying closely the word of God, while bringing to its elucidation his own experience, and all the light that progressive science and literary research are shedding on its truths. Somewhat eccentric, he might have been called, as a preacher, but it was the independence of an original mind, speaking out its own convictions in such a manner, as he believed, would best recommend them. His was an intellect cast not exactly in a stereotyped mold, but the deviation at least saved his sermons from sameness and insipidity. While they sometimes provoked criticism, they always evoked thought and reflection. He is gone, this able and promising young minister; gone, when the Church so much needed laborers. But we bow to God's will, mysterious as it is. We bless Him for giving this minister grace to work for Him so long, to do His will in life, and then suffer it in death, even in the last hour attuning his heart to the following lines, which he attempted with a dying effort to repeat:

"There's the city to which I journey;
My Redeemer, my Redeemer, is its light.
There is no sorrow, nor any sighing,
Nor any sin there, nor any dying.
I'm a pilgrim, and I'm a stranger,
I can tarry, I can tarry but a night."

And then, at the last, when asked if that Redeemer's name was precious to him still, he im-

mediately raised his right hand and bowed his head in assent. He leaves a widow and two children, the oldest a boy, who he said he trusted would fill his place as a minister in the Church of God.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Charleston District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charleston:			
Trinity and Cumberland.....	296	.....	1
Bethel.....	353	.....	1
Spring Street.....	134	.....	.....
Cooper River Circuit.....	546	.....	3
Cypress.....	350	1	.....
Walterboro.....	489	166	2
St. George's.....	499	.....	2
St. George's Mission.....	326	27	.....
Eastern Orange Circuit.....	270	18	2
Providence.....	410	.....	1
St. Matthew's.....	215	.....	1
Upper St. Matthew's.....	115	.....	.....
	4003	202	13

Bamberg District.

Bamberg Circuit.....	203	.....	2
Blackville.....	499	.....	1
Barnwell.....	169	.....	1
Aiken and Graniteville Mission.....	147	1	.....
Lexington Circuit.....	622	.....	1
Upper Orange.....	320	350	2
Orangeburg.....	190	.....	1
Branchville.....	245	.....	.....
St. Bartholomew's.....	587	7	1
Allendale.....	245	.....	.....
Black Swamp.....	144	89	1
Hardeeville Mission.....	31	30	.....
	3402	477	10

Marion District.

Marion Station.....	155	.....	.....
Marion Circuit.....	505	10	3
Brownsville.....	604	.....	5
Buck Swamp.....	435	.....	3
Liberty Chapel.....	391	9	2
Darlington Station.....	99	.....	.....
Darlington Circuit.....	778	.....	7
Timmons ville.....	280	.....	1
Lynchburg.....	634	75	5
Georgetown Station.....	170	.....	1
Kingstree and Black River Circuit...	729	.....	4
Conwayboro Station.....	80	.....	.....
Conwayboro Circuit.....	919	32	6
Waccamaw Circuit and Mission.....	328	15	3
	6108	141	40

Columbia District.

Columbia:			
Washington Street.....	236	.....	2
City Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion Street.....	146	.....	1
Columbia Circuit.....	381	.....	1
Richland Fork.....	227	44	.....
Santee Circuit.....	292	.....	4
Manchester Mission.....	30	1	.....
Manning Circuit.....	281	.....	.....

Columbia District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Sumter Station.....	197	2	.....
Sumter Circuit.....	522	.....	2
Bishopville.....	474	4	2
Camden Station.....	80	1	.....
Rocky Mount Circuit.....	405	.....	1
Chester.....	260	2	.....
Winnsboro.....	119	28	.....
Fairfield.....	368	50	3
	4018	132	16

Cokesbury District.

Cokesbury Station.....	157	1	1
Cokesbury Circuit.....	423	.....	1
Abbeville Station.....	86	.....	.....
Abbeville Circuit.....	350	.....	1
Lowndesville Station.....	235	.....	.....
Ninety-Six Circuit.....	408	25	1
Saluda River Mission.....	90	.....	1
Dorn's Mine Circuit.....	410	.....	2
Edgefield.....	296	.....	1
Savannah River Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Butler Circuit.....	370	.....	2
Newberry Station.....	99	.....	.....
Newberry Circuit.....	650	.....	1
Laurens.....	568	216	2
Clinton.....	271	.....	.....
Tumbling Shoals.....	310	.....	.....
	4723	242	13

Greenville District.

Greenville Station.....	119	.....	.....
Greenville Circuit.....	650	.....	2
Reidville.....	564	3	1
Pickensville.....	600	.....	2
Walhalla.....	320	.....	1
Williamston.....	150	.....	.....
Seneca.....	450	2	2
Anderson Station.....	102	.....	.....
Anderson Circuit.....	350	.....	2
Pendleton.....	825	.....	2
	4130	5	12

Spartanburg District.

Spartanburg Station.....	321	2	6
Spartanburg Circuit.....	307	10	1
Cherokee Springs.....	63	.....	.....
Unionville Station.....	136	.....	.....
Rich Hill Circuit.....	550	10	3
Pacolet.....	174	217	.....
Fair Forest.....	335	46	1
Cane Creek and Goshen Hill.....	261	.....	2
Belmont.....	275	.....	.....
Columbus.....	292	.....	.....
Rutherford*.....	.....	.....	.....
Cherry Mount Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion and McDowell Circuit*.....	.....	.....	.....
Upper Broad River Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....
	2714	285	13

Wadesboro District.

Wadesboro Circuit*.....	.....	.....	.....
Cheraw Station.....	125	.....	4
Bennettsville Circuit.....	1136	14	7
Meldrum.....	198	1	.....
Ansonville*.....	.....	.....	.....
Albemarle*.....	.....	.....	.....
Concord*.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant*.....	.....	.....	.....
Lancaster Station.....	60	.....	.....
Hanging Rock Circuit.....	314	.....	.....

* Transferred to North Carolina Conference.

Wadesboro District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Chesterfield	664	.....	3
Monroe Station *.....	.....	.....	.....
Monroe Circuit *.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove *.....	.....	.....	.....
South Charlotte*.....	.....	.....	.....
	2497	15	14

Shelby District.

Shelby Station*.....
Shelby Circuit*.....	.....	.....	.....
Lincolnton*.....	.....	.....	.....
South Fork*.....	.....	.....	.....
Rock Spring*.....	.....	.....	.....
Dallas*.....	.....	.....	.....
Yorkville Station.....	94	.....	.....
York Circuit.....	316	16	.....
Rock Hill.....	235	21	.....
Pineville*.....	.....	.....	.....
Charlotte Station*.....	.....	.....	.....
Calvary Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....
North Charlotte Circuit*.....	.....	.....	.....
Lenoir*.....	.....	.....	.....
Newton*.....	.....	.....	.....
Happy Home*.....	.....	.....	.....
Morganton*.....	.....	.....	.....
	645	37	.....

Recapitulation.

Charleston District.....	4003	202	13
Bamberg ".....	3402	477	10
Marion ".....	6108	141	40
Columbia ".....	4018	132	16
Cokesbury ".....	4723	242	13
Greenville ".....	4130	5	12
Spartanburg ".....	2714	285	13
Wadesboro ".....	2497	15	14
Shelby ".....	645	37	.....
Total this year.....	32,240	1536	131
Total last year.....	42,752	2411	174
Decrease.....	10,512	875	43

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

White, 1418
Colored, 93

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

White, 1546
Colored, 124

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
386.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
2502.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

White, 15,837

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$7125.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$3791 85

* Transferred to North Carolina Conference.

Applied in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$2909 68.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Spartanburg, S. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

A. M. Chreitzberg, P. E.

Charleston :
Trinity and Cumberland, J. M. Carlisle.
Bethel, T. E. Wannamaker.
Spring Street, J. T. Wightman.
Cooper River, L. C. Loyal.
Cooper River Missoin, to be supplied.
Cypress Circuit, to be supplied (by A. R. Danner).
Walterboro, B. G. Jones.
St. George's, Wm. Hutto.
St. George's Mission, to be supplied
Eastern Orange Circuit, W. Carson.
Providence, J. C. Stoll, E. J. Pennington, Sup.
St. Matthew's, J. W. Crider.
Upper St. Matthew's, J. E. Watson.

BAMBERG DISTRICT.

F. Milton Kennedy, P. E.

Bamberg, T. Raysor, R. B. Tarrant, Sup.
Blackville, J. W. McRoy.
Edisto, J. E. Penny.
Barnwell, R. R. Dagnall.
Aiken, G. J. Griffiths.
Graniteville Mission, J. C. Miller.
Upper Orange Circuit, J. S. Beaseley.
Orangeburg, F. Auld.
Branchville, D. J. Simmons.
Colleton, C. Wilson, W. D. Kirkland.
Allendale, W. A. Clarke.
Black Swamp, J. B. Campbell.
Hardeeville Mission, J. R. Coburn.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

S. H. Browne, P. E.

Columbia:
{ Washington Street, Manning Brown.
{ City Mission, to be supplied.
Marion Street, W. W. Mood.
Richland Fork, G. W. Gatlin.
Columbia Circuit, J. A. Clifton.
East Chester, J. M. Boyd.
Chester, E. J. Meynardie, R. D. Smart,
Winnsboro, A. G. Gantt.
Fairfield, J. L. Shuford, R. N. Wells.
{ Lexington, G. W. M. Creighton.
{ Lexington Mission, to be supplied.
Little Saluda Circuit, J. H. Zimmerman.
Edgefield, J. W. Humbert.
Agent for Washington Street Church in Columbia, W. Martin.

SUMTER DISTRICT.

W. H. Fleming, P. E.

Sumter, H. A. C. Walker.
 Sumter Circuit, S. J. Hill.
 { Santee, J. L. Sifley.
 { Manchester Mission, to be supplied.
 Lynchburg, L. M. Little.
 Manning, A. Ervine.
 Bishopville, S. A. Webber, A. McCorquodale,
 Sup.
 Darlington Circuit, P. G. Bowman.
 Chesterfield, J. B. Platt.
 Zoar, to be supplied (by C. A. Plyer).
 { Cheraw, J. F. England.
 { Westfield Creek Mission, to be supplied (by
 { A. J. Wilson).
 Lancaster, J. R. Little.
 Hanging Rock, Simpson Jones.
 Upper Lynch's Creek, to be supplied.
 Camden, A. J. Stokes.

MARION DISTRICT.

J. W. Kelly, P. E.

Marion, R. R. Pegues.
 Marion Circuit, W. W. Jones.
 Little Rock, W. C. Power.
 Bennettsville, J. A. Porter.
 Buck Swamp, T. Mitchell, E. T. Hodges.
 North Marlboro, W. L. Pegues.
 Liberty Chapel, A. J. Stafford.
 Lynch's Creek, S. P. H. Elwell.
 Darlington Station, W. T. Capers.
 Timmons ville, Geo. H. Wells.
 Georgetown, Aug. W. Walker.
 Kingstree, A. Nettles.
 Black Mingo Circuit and Mission, D. W. Seal.
 Conwayboro and Bucks ville, W. Thomas.
 Conwayboro Circuit and Mission, T. W. Mun-
 nerlyn.
 Waccamaw, C. Betts, Sup., one to be supplied.

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

T. G. Herbert, P. E.

Spartanburg, C. H. Pritchard.
 Spartanburg Circuit and Mission, to be supplied,
 J. D. Carpenter, Sup.
 Cherokee Springs Mission, R. C. Oliver, Sup.

Rich Hill, N. K. Melton.
 Pacolet, J. S. Connor.
 Fair Forest, to be supplied.
 Unionville and Sardis, C. Thomason.
 Cane Creek and Goshen Hill, T. J. Clyde.
 Belmont, J. B. Massebeau.
 Yorkville, G. M. Boyd, L. A. Johnson, Sup.
 Rock Hill, M. A. Connolly, R. B. Allston, Sup.
 Gowansville, J. C. Crisp.
 Spartanburg Female College, S. B. Jones, Presi-
 dent; S. Lander, Sup.
 Wofford College, A. M. Shipp, Prest.; W. Smith,
 Professor; A. H. Lester, Sup.
 Agent for Wofford College, W. P. Mouzon.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

R. P. Franks, P. E.

Greenville, O. A. Darby.
 Greenville Circuit, J. Attaway.
 Reidville, J. Watts, J. A. Wood, Sup.
 Pickensville, G. T. Harmon.
 Walhalla, D. J. McMillan, F. M. Morgan, Sup.
 Williamston, R. L. Harper.
 Seneca, D. D. Byers.
 Anderson Station, W. A. Hodges.
 Anderson Circuit, C. V. Barnes.
 Pendleton, J. B. Traywick, one to be supplied.

COKEsbury DISTRICT.

H. M. Mood, P. E.

Cokesbury, L. Wood.
 Cokesbury Circuit, J. W. Murray.
 Abbeville Station, G. W. Round.
 Abbeville Circuit, J. J. Workman.
 Lowndesville, A. J. Cauthen.
 Ninety-Six, P. F. Kistler.
 Saluda River Missson, W. H. Lawton.
 Dorn's Mine, R. L. Duffie.
 Edgefield Mission, T. S. Daniel, Sup.
 Laurens Circuit, J. T. Kilgo, one to be supplied.
 Clinton, W. Bowman.
 Tumbling Shoals, J. Finger.
 Newberry Station, J. A. Mood.
 Newberry Circuit, A. P. Avant.
 J. S. Nelson, M. H. Hoyle, and B. F. Dixon,
 transferred to North Carolina Conference.
 H. J. Morgan transferred to North-West Texas
 Conference.

7.—NORTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT AUGUSTA, GA., Nov. 30-Dec. 6, 1870.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; JOHN W. HEIDT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Thos. H. Gibson, Bolling H. Sasnett, Alexander Odom, John B. McFarland, Joseph P. Wardlaw, Joseph M. Hardin, Walter R. Branham, jr., Samuel D. Evans, Allen C. Thomas, David L. Anderson, Curtiss A. Connaway, James R. Mayson, William H. Graham, David J. Weems. 14.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Felix P. Brown, Benj. E. Ledbetter, Thomas H. Timmons, Wesley G. Hanson, J. W. Baker. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

William A. Farriss, Marion H. Eakes, James H. Baxter, John W. Stipe, James N. Myers, Alfred G. Carpenter, David Nolan. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Sanford Leake. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Benson E. L. Timmons, Joseph Carr, Perry G. Reynolds, George Kramer, George G. Smith, George E. Gardner, James M. Stokes, James G. Worley, Freeman F. Reynolds, W. Fisk Glenn, George H. Pattillo. 11.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

John J. Davis, Henry J. Ellis. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

William A. Farriss, Marion H. Eakes, James H. Baxter, John W. Stipe. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

William A. Farriss, Marion H. Eakes, James H. Baxter, John W. Stipe. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Ellison D. Stone, D. C. Oliver, Larkin D. Sewell, Joel D. Gunnels, Thomas P. Harris, William J. Walton, John H. Whitaker, Shelley P. Downs, Erasmus W. Jordan, Josiah W. Jordan, Christopher C. Davis. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Joel D. Gunnels, Josiah W. Jordan, Larkin D. Sewell, Christopher C. Davis. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William F. Quillian, Francis B. Davies, Robert R. Johnson, Benson E. L. Timmons. 4.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

William F. Quillian, Francis B. Davies, Robert R. Johnson, Benson E. L. Timmons. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

W. Ewing Johnson, Hezekiah H. Porter, Uriah Langford, Jesse L. K. Smith, Thomas M. Pledger, Richard Willbanks, J. B. E. Lewis, Wilson P. McElroy, James P. Prickett. 9.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

W. Ewing Johnson, Hezekiah H. Porter, Uriah Langford, Jesse L. K. Smith, Thomas M. Pledger. 5.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John W. McGehee. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Alexander Means, Robert A. Seale, Francis W. Baggerly, David W. Calhoun, John T. Norris, Peter A. Heard, Robert H. Jones. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

William J. Parks, Jesse W. Carroll, J. B. C. Quillian, John P. Howell, James B. Payne, Henry Cranford, Andrew J. Deavors, John M. Bright, Morgan Bellah, Clairborne Trussell, Goodman Hughes, John W. Turner. 12.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Wesley P. Arnold, Edward W. Reynolds, John W. Reynolds, W. H. Evans. 4.

WESLEY P. ARNOLD began his itinerant life in the South Carolina Conference, January, 1827. Two years afterward he was ordained deacon by Bishop McKendree. He received his ordination as elder from the hands of Bishop Hedding, at the first session of the Georgia Conference, in January, 1831. As the stations of preachers do not appear regularly in our early records, we may simply say that he labored, for the first twenty-three years, in the eastern and middle portion of Georgia. He was in charge of Eaton Circuit in 1850; Lincolnton, 1851 and 1852; Wilkes, 1853 and 1854; Columbia, 1855 and 1856; Lincolnton Circuit was favored with a

second full term of his pastoral service in 1857 and 1858; he served Madison Station in 1859 and 1860; Griffin Station, 1861 and 1862; Thomaston Circuit, 1863, 1864, and 1865; Clinton Circuit, 1866, 1867, 1868, and 1869. At the Rome Conference, last December, he was appointed to Milledgeville Station. At that time he and Dr. Jesse Boring were the two oldest effective traveling preachers in the Conference. Although forty-three years of abounding labor had been performed, yet he retained so much of the freshness and zeal of his younger days, that we hoped it would be many years before his genial face and manly form would pass away from us. As he returned from Conference, he visited his new charge and made arrangements for an early removal. But the Master was pleased to change his appointment from the toil of the harvest-field to the heavenly rest. Only four days of happy reunion with his family, in the Clinton parsonage, had passed when the transfer was made. On Christmas night his heart was graciously blessed in the family devotions. In prayer his faith beheld the manger and the cross, the humbled and exalted Saviour, the heavenly city and its blessed inhabitants, and he wished himself among them. His prayer was soon answered: before the morning light, a fatal stroke of apoplexy loosed the silver chord, ended his sufferings with a single groan, and let his pure spirit go home to God.

His tent at sunrise on the ground,
A darkened ruin lay.

Several here said, "Brother Arnold was the noblest type of a Christian gentleman that we have ever seen." This remark seems just, for in him was happily blended exalted dignity with the gentlest love; while he commanded the respect of the most refined, the humblest child could approach him with perfect confidence. As a husband and father, he was full of tenderness and affection. He was twice happily married—first to Miss McIntosh, and, after her decease, to Miss Julia Candler. A minister of ability in word and doctrine, by diligent study he continued to improve to the end of life. We would hold up his example as a pattern of ministerial fidelity. Submitting with child-like trust to the judgment of the Conference, he accepted his appointments as from the hand of God. He went to his work, feeling that God had called him to it. No field of labor was too humble for him. No difficulties which he could overcome could keep him from his appointments; hence we find him, when over sixty years of age, regularly walking around his circuit. He was greatly beloved by his people, as may be inferred from his frequent return to the same fields of labor. His memory is enshrined in the hearts of the Conference. We shall miss this heroic soldier of the cross; we may seldom look upon his like again; but we hope to see his smiling face on the other side of Jordan.

EDWARD W. REYNOLDS was the father of John W. Reynolds, of recent connection with the North Georgia Conference. The death of the father is so late an event that we have received

the only intelligence of the fact since the Conference assembled. We can give, therefore, but a few facts of history, and devote only a few lines, to the memory of a father in Israel whose life and services might afford pages of interesting matter to his surviving contemporaries, and give inspiration to those who follow in the paths of Christian duty. He had his residence, we are informed, for some length of time, in Walton county, where, perhaps, he married the daughter of Brother Sentell, in 1834. For several years past he has resided in Fayette county, Georgia, five miles from Fairburn, and ten or twelve from Jonesboro. At the time of his death, about the 13th of November last, he was probably about 70 years of age. The circumstances of his death are uncertain, as they reach us only by rumor, and are afflictions indeed, as he died suddenly, away from home and without the kind ministry of friends and relatives. If we are correctly informed, he and his son-in-law had gone out in the country on business, and were returning home together (driving a cow which was purchased or had strayed away). For some purpose the son-in-law came home in advance. Brother Reynolds lingered behind, saying he would come in due time. For eleven days thereafter he was missing, and when found he was discovered lying dead upon his back and on his blanket, his hat upon his face, and near a spot where the mule on which he rode had been evidently fastened. As Brother Reynolds was a man of large proportions and full habit, and there were no visible marks of violence on his person, it may be a reasonable presumption, from the circumstances, that he died a natural death from apoplexy. At the last information, the coroner's inquest was called to decide the manner and means of his death, but no other facts were discovered. From the records of the Church and Minutes of the Conference, we learn that at the fourth session of the Georgia Annual Conference, which convened January 8th, 1834, at Washington, Wilkes county, Bishops Emory and Andrew presiding, he was admitted on trial to the traveling connection with such classmates and associates as Wesley P. Arnold, Windsor Graham, John Yarborough, James Payne, and others, some of whom have served their generation and fallen asleep in Christ years ago, and others more recently. In 1835 he traveled the Waynesboro Circuit; in January, 1836, at Eatonton, Ga., he was admitted to deacon's orders; in 1837, at Athens, Ga., he was elected to elders' orders, and was appointed to Clinton Circuit; in 1839 he traveled the McDonough Circuit; in 1840 he was on the Cuthbert Circuit; in 1845, at the Conference held at Eatonton, he was admitted to a supernumerary relation; in 1848 he traveled the Hamilton Circuit as preacher in charge; in 1851 and 1852 he served the Buena Vista Circuit, and at the close of the year 1852 he was superannuated. Again, in 1857, he was effective, and we find him associated with J. M. Marshall on Butler Circuit, in Columbus District; and, in 1858, in charge of Palmetto Circuit, since which time we have no definite account of any active and regular services in any relation to

the Church, but for the last few years, we are informed, he has been preaching occasionally, with much of his former ability, at Bethel Church, in Forsyth Circuit, near his own home, where his family have their membership. He was a strong, athletic man, inured to hardship and labor, and his mind and character were in correspondence with his physical development. He was naturally strong in will, and thought, and feeling—made stronger still by experience and conflict with the natural and moral difficulties of a preacher's life in the days and in the country in which he served the Church. His educational advantages were limited, but his natural mental endowments had been increased in vigor by reading and study, unfavorable peculiarities had been overcome by grace—difficulties mastered by effort, and in addition to his good stock of common sense, which is valuable capital, he had acquired such stores of scriptural knowledge and general information as made him a good and effective preacher—a sound theologian and a firm and fearless defender and advocate of the truth. His house was a home of piety, charity, and hospitality, and here the weary itinerant preachers often found a Christian welcome—instruction, encouragement, and sympathy were afforded, and all his wants supplied. If he had faults, they were those natural to a strong character. If he had virtues, they, too, partook of his general tone of mind. Strong in his opinions, he was bold to express them. Firm in his nature, he was frank and faithful in his friendship. Grace—he needed much—that grace he received and manifested in the modification of his character and softening of his nature—in the subduing and regulation of his will—in a heart-regenerator—in a life in some degree sanctified and devoted to God and the Church.

JOHN W. REYNOLDS, son of Edward W. Reynolds, joined the itinerancy in Americus, October, 1856—was admitted into full connection and elected to deacon's orders at Columbus, Ga., December, 1858, during which year he had served the Church on the Stewart Circuit, associated with James T. Turner. In 1859 he served the Jonesboro Station; in 1860 he was on Carrollton and Smyrna Circuit, at the close of which year he was ordained elder by Bishop Pierce; in 1861 he was on the Jackson Circuit, Griffin District; in 1862 and 1863, on the Cave Spring Circuit, where he labored successfully and left many friends; in 1864, on Franklin Circuit; in 1865, on Buena Vista Circuit; in 1866 and 1867, he served the Thomaston and colored charge; in 1868 and 1869 on Culloden Circuit. Brother Reynolds was a man of good natural abilities and of active mental qualities. He, like his father, had a good store of practical common sense, and by diligent study, observation, and culture, he had enriched his mind with thought, and acquired a fluency of expression which made him easy and agreeable in conversation, and gave liberty and force in all his pulpit exercises. His sermons were not devoid of method and arrangement; they were sound and scriptural in doctrine and forcible in argument, and

were delivered often with zeal, fervor, and persuasive power. He was simple and earnest in manner, and seldom failed to interest and impress his hearers. He was instructive as a teacher—faithful but kind in rebuke, and ever diligent and persistent as a worker. Prompt and punctual, he labored to do all his work, and to do all equally. He loved the Sunday-school work, and labored most successfully in it, winning the hearts of parents and children to himself for Christ and the Church. As a pastor, he had qualities which eminently adapted him to the care of souls. He loved his people; placed himself in sympathy with his flock, identified himself with their interests, joys, and sorrows, and had a kind word of greeting or counsel for each and all. He was kind to all, but kindest to the poorest, and therefore was loved, useful, and successful. The Minutes show his last appointment was Zebulun Circuit, which he would have served, if God had spared him, during the present year. He returned home to Culloden, from the session of the last Conference at Rome, in more feeble health than usual; and was impressed with the idea he was soon to die, and in one short week his premonitions were realized. Brother John W. Reynolds, unlike his father, was not a strong and hale man constitutionally—was afflicted much and variously, but persevered in his work; he was always feeble, but always faithful—infirm in body, but firm in purpose, even to the end. He was accustomed to think of death and of the grave as affording sweet repose from the labors and sufferings of life. During his last illness his sufferings were intense, but constant prayer and grace sustained him and brought peace and resignation. A little while before he died he said many things which affectionate and bereaved friends may well cherish as full of comfort and consolation. To his wife he said, "You have been to me all that a wife could be to a husband; you have never hindered me from going to an appointment; give our children a good education, and train them for God." To his eldest son he said (calling him to his bedside), "Be a good boy, and take care of mother and sister, and little brother will help you, and God will help you." His last words for the Church and Conference were these: "Tell my brethren I loved them in life, and I love them in death, and I die in peace, and not to forget my two boys." After these words and similar expressions addressed to kind friends who ministered to him, he turned himself once more upon his bed, and in a moment died without a struggle, and passed from earth to heaven.

W. H. EVANS was born in Wilkes county, Ga., 11th of August, 1814, and died at his home in Oxford, July, 1870. He was licensed to preach November, 1832, and joined the Georgia Conference December, 1841. He traveled the Covington and Monroe Circuit, 1842; Marietta Circuit, 1843; Warrenton Circuit, 1844; Wrightsboro, 1845; Gainesville, 1846; Habersham, 1847; Greensboro Circuit, 1848 and 1849; Lexington, 1850; Washington, 1851; Atlanta Station, 1852.

and 1853; La Grange, 1854; Newnan, 1855 and 1856; Rome, 1857; Agent La Grange Female College, 1858; La Grange District, 1859 and 1860; Oxford Circuit, 1861 and 1862; Atlanta, 1863; Lexington Circuit, 1864 and 1865; East Newton, 1866; Monroe, 1867; Warrenton, 1868; Troup, 1869; Decatur, 1870. How simple the record of thirty years of itinerant life! Brother Evans, in his pulpit ministrations, was characterized by simplicity of manner, singleness of purpose, and earnest zeal. Lifting himself by grace to the true gospel stand-point, Christ crucified was his theme, and the anointing Spirit his power, as a preacher. He preached the word and his hearers went away to pray, thereby paying homage to the truth and not to the diction of the speaker or the force of his logic. The pulpit, however, was not the only or chief field of his labors. Faithful and earnest in the pulpit, he was earnest and faithful elsewhere. A good shepherd, he cared not only for the ninety and nine already gathered into the fold, but he went after the lost, and, preaching by the wayside, in the gift of a tract, or from house to house, as he prayed and talked with the inmates, many did he bring back upon his shoulders rejoicing. Brother Evans was not a great man, as the world measures greatness; but he was more—a good man, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and by the hand of the Lord upon him, many were turned to righteousness, and with him shall shine forever.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Augusta District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Augusta:			
St. John's.....	345	.....	3
St. James.....	432	.....	2
City Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Asbury.....	291	.....	.....
Richmond Circuit.....	264	.....	2
{ Belair Mission.....	85	.....	1
{ Appling Circuit.....	205	.....	.....
Thompson.....	356	.....	4
Warrenton.....	755	.....	7
Sparta.....	215	.....	3
Hancock.....	428	.....	2
Taliaferro Mission.....	66	1	.....
Milledgeville.....	130	.....	.....
Baldwin Circuit.....	136	.....	.....
	3708	1	24

Athens District.

Athens.....	473	.....	3
Second Charge and Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Factory Mission.....	154	.....	1
Watkinsville Circuit.....	642	50	6
Madison.....	127	.....	.....
{ Morgan Circuit.....	300	.....	1
{ Morgan Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Greensboro Circuit.....	162	.....	3
White Plains.....	347	.....	3
Lexington Circuit & Colored Charge..	446	180	2

Athens District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Washington.....	113	.....	.....
Broad River.....	268	93	1
Little River.....	202	60	.....
Eatonton.....	120	.....	1
Putnam.....	410	.....	4
	3764	373	25

Elberton District.

Elberton Circuit.....	240	.....	.....
Elbert.....	484	.....	5
Lincolnton.....	284	40	2
Jefferson.....	725	30	6
Carnesville.....	366	.....	2
Franklin Springs Mission.....	232	.....	3
Homer Circuit.....	447	55	7
Hartwell.....	480	.....	8
Clarksville.....	511	55	8
Clayton Mission.....	105	.....	.....
	3874	180	41

Dahlonega District.

Dahlonega and Mission.....	218	34	4
Dawsonville Circuit.....	540	12	6
Cumming.....	660	.....	6
Cumming Colored Church.....	.....	.....	.....
Alpharetta Circuit.....	368	7	3
Canton.....	440	.....	6
Cherokee.....	204	.....	4
Jasper Mission.....	359	4	1
Ellijay.....	258	3	3
Blairsville.....	261	3	3
Cleveland Circuit.....	580	2	8
Gainesville.....	800	12	2
Gwinnett.....	467	1	3
	5155	78	49

Rome District.

Rome Station.....	334	.....	4
Rome Circuit.....	620	11	5
Cave Spring.....	274	2	8
Kingston.....	533	2	4
Calhoun.....	375	.....	1
Tilton Mission.....	120	.....	1
La Fayette Circuit.....	373	.....	6
Subligna.....	222	.....	3
Dalton.....	156	.....	2
Dalton Circuit.....	449	10	6
Ringgold.....	300	.....	8
Summerville.....	454	.....	4
Spring Place.....	328	.....	6
Oostanaula.....	300	.....	4
Cedar Town.....	238	.....	1
	5076	25	63

Marietta District.

Marietta Station.....	216	.....	2
Marietta Circuit.....	344	.....	2
Acworth.....	86	.....	1
Roswell Mission.....	375	.....	7
Power Springs Circuit.....	416	.....	5
Dallas.....	271	6	5
Carrollton and Bowden.....	547	.....	12
Villa Rica.....	560	25	5
Harralson Mission.....	100	.....	3
Sand Town.....	171	.....	1
Campbelltown Circuit.....	425	.....	2
Cartersville.....	560	.....	10
Euharlee.....	406	10	2
Bartow.....	85	.....	1
Laurel Hill Mission.....	160	.....	2
	4722	40	60

La Grange District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
La Grange.....	163	.....	1
Troup Circuit and Colored Charge...	625	.....	2
West Point and Long Cane.....	190	.....	3
La Grange & West Point Col'd Chg.....	.....	.....	.....
Whitesville Circuit.....	488	.....	8
Greenville, Trinity & Fletcher's Chap	200	.....	.....
Concord Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	.....
Granville Circuit.....	357	.....	4
Chalybeate Springs & Col'd Charge...	368	.....	1
Merriwether and Colored Charge....	454	50	3
Palmetto Circuit & Colored Charge...	583	.....	7
Newman.....	174	.....	1
Franklin.....	397	50	3
	3999	100	33

Atlanta District.

Atlanta:			
Wesley Chapel.....	484	.....	4
Third & Fourth Wards Mission....	188	.....	.....
Trinity.....	372	.....	5
Evan's Chapel and Mission.....	329	.....	5
Payne's Chapel and Mission.....	312	.....	2
Atlanta Circuit.....	530	.....	2
Fulton.....	449	.....	2
Decatur.....	540	29	8
Covington and Mount Pleasant.....	198	.....	1
Oxford.....	936	.....	19
Conyers.....	792	1	5
Monticello.....	180	.....	1
Ocmulgee Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Jasper Circuit.....	303	.....	3
Monroe.....	541	.....	1
Lawrenceville.....	610	16	2
	6764	47	62

Griffin District.

Griffin Station.....	306	1
Griffin City Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Zebulun Circuit.....	402	.....	1
Pike and Pine Mount Mission.....	274	.....	.....
Thomaston Circuit.....	583	.....	7
Barnesville.....	290	.....	6
McDonough.....	605	.....	5
Jonesboro.....	450	.....	2
Forest Station Mission.....	70	.....	.....
Fayetteville Circuit.....	513	.....	7
Clalloden.....	395	.....	3
Clinton.....	218	.....	1
Jackson.....	294	3	2
Liberty Hill.....	150	4	.....
Forsyth Station.....	201	.....	1
Forsyth Circuit.....	295	.....	2
Indian Springs Mission.....	13	.....	.....
	5059	7	38

Recapitulation.

Augusta District.....	3708	1	24
Athens.....	3764	373	25
Elberton.....	3874	180	41
Dahlonega.....	5155	78	45
Rome.....	5076	25	63
Marietta.....	4722	40	60
La Grange.....	3999	100	33
Atlanta.....	6764	47	62
Griffin.....	5059	7	38
Total this year.....	42,121	851	395
Total last year.....	41,206	1974	409
Increase.....	915		
Decrease.....		1123	14

Ques 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Whites, 1182; colored, 4.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

Whites, 2529; colored, 81.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
452.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
3378.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
22,795.

Ques 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$7720.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$4924 38
Distributed among claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
Domestic Missions, \$4999 01
Foreign Missions, 1468 46
Mission Debt, 669 85
\$7137 32

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Athens, Ga.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Caleb W. Key, P. E.

Augusta:

St. Johns, A. T. Mann, D. W. Calhoun, Sup.
St. James, Harwell H. Parks.
Asbury, Lewis J. Davies.
Richmond, Daniel Kelsey.
Appling, William A. Fariss.
Thompson, Felix P. Brown.
Warrenton, Thomas A. Seals.
Sparta, Wesley P. Pledger.
Hancock, Ebenezer G. Murrah, Bolling H. Sannett.
Crawfordville, Allen C. Thomas.
Milledgeville, Anderson J. Jarrell.
Baldwin, John W. Stipe.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

Thomas F. Pierce, P. E.

Athens, Eustace W. Speer.
Oconee Street, to be supplied (by E. D. Stone).
Factory Mission, Charles J. Oliver.
Watkinsville, John W. Knight, James V. M. Morris.
Madison, William A. Florence.
Morgan, James L. Lupo.
Greensboro, George W. Yarbrough.
White Plains, John M. Lowry.
Lexington, William A. Simmons.
Winterville, William D. Heath.
Washington, Walter R. Branham, sr.

Broad River, John H. Grogan.
 Little River, John H. Baxter.
 Eatonton, William R. Foote.
 Putnam, William W. Oslin, one to be supplied.

ELBERTON DISTRICT.

Leonard Rush, P. E.

Elberton, Francis G. Hughes.
 Bethlehem, Ambrose G. Worley.
 Elbert, William T. Norman.
 Lincolnton, William F. Quillian.
 Jefferson, Robert A. Conner, Samuel D. Eyans.
 Carnesville, John H. Mashburn.
 Franklin Springs, to be supplied (by D. C. Oliver).
 Homer, James G. Worley.
 Hartwell, John W. Baker.
 Clarkesville, John R. Parker.
 Clayton Mission, to be supplied (by E. L. Stevens).

DAHLONEGA DISTRICT.

Willis T. Caldwell, P. E.

Dahlonega, William A. Dodge.
 Dawsonville, Joseph M. Hardin.
 Cumming, Alfred G. Carpenter.
 Alpharetta, Samuel J. Bellah.
 Canton, Britton Sanders.
 Cherokee, Benjamin E. Ledbetter.
 Cleveland, Benson E. L. Timmons.
 Blairsville Mission, Marion H. Eakes.
 Gainesville, George E. Gardner.
 Lawrenceville, Freeman F. Reynolds, one to be supplied.

ROME DISTRICT.

G. Jefferson Pearce, P. E.

Rome, William F. Cook.
 Rome Circuit, Perry G. Reynolds.
 Forestville, Alexander Odom.
 Oostanaula, William P. Kramer.
 Cave Spring, William P. Rivers.
 Cedar Town, W. Fisk Glenn.
 Van Wert, to be supplied (by R. A. Giddens).
 Subligna, John B. McFarland, R. H. Jones, Sup.
 Summerville, William C. Dunlap.
 La Fayette, Thomas H. Timmons.
 Lookout Mountain Mission, to be supplied (by S. W. McWhorter).

DALTON DISTRICT.

William J. Scott, P. E.

Dalton, George G. Smith.
 Dalton Circuit, Wiley T. Hamilton.
 Tunnell Hill, to be supplied (by J. M. Richardson).
 Ringgold, Joseph P. Wardlaw.
 Rock Spring, Sanford Leake.
 Spring Place, to be supplied (by H. H. Porter).
 Murray Mission, to be supplied.
 Calhoun, to be supplied (by Thos. M. Pledger).
 Tilton and Resaca, David J. Weems.
 Kingston, John A. Reynolds.
 Ellijay, to be supplied (by J. H. Robinson).
 Jasper, to be supplied.

MARIETTA DISTRICT.

Peter M. Ryburn, P. E.

Marietta, George Kramer.
 Acworth, James R. Mayson.
 Roswell, Thomas H. Gibson.
 Powder Springs, Milford G. Hamby.
 Dallas, Eldridge K. Aiken.
 Carrollton and Bowden, Joseph Chambers.
 Villa Rica, James N. Myers.
 Haralson Mission, to be supplied (by D. Strippling).
 Sand Town, to be supplied (by Jas. P. Prickett).
 Campbellton, Richard J. Harwell.
 Cartersville, James L. Pierce, J. T. Norris, Sup.
 Cassville, Joseph Carr.
 Marietta Female College, Wm. A. Rogers, President.

LA GRANGE DISTRICT.

Habersham J. Adams, P. E.

La Grange, Wm. M. Crumley, P. A. Heard, Sup.
 Troup, William J. Cotter.
 West Point and Long Cane, Edmund P. Birch.
 Whitesville, Theophilus S. L. Harwell.
 Greenville, Trinity, and Fletcher's Chapel, Alexander M. Thigpen.
 Chalybeate Springs, to be supplied (by J. J. Little).
 Grantville, Robert F. Jones.
 Senoia, Francis W. Baggerley.
 Hogansville, James T. Lowe.
 Newnan, Robert W. Bigham.
 Palmetto, John M. Bowden.
 Franklin, Robert Stripling.
 La Grange Female College, Morgan Callaway, President.
 Agent American Bible Society, Wm. A. Parks.
 Missionary to China, Young J. Allen.

ATLANTA DISTRICT.

Weyman H. Potter, P. E.

Atlanta:

First Church, Arminius Wright.
 Trinity, Clement A. Evans.
 Evans Chapel, James M. Dickey.
 Payne's Chapel, Daniel D. Cox.
 Edgewood and Third Ward, G. H. Pattillo.
 Fourth Ward Mission, to be supplied (by A. G. Dempsey).
 Atlanta Circuit, Benjamin J. Johnson.
 Fulton, William J. Wardlaw.
 Decatur, Cicero A. Mitchell.
 Covington and Mount Pleasant, D. J. Myrick.
 Oxford, Albert Gray, Alexander Means, Sup.
 Conyers, Miles W. Arnold, W. R. Branham, jr.
 Monticello, Francis B. Davies.
 Ocmulgee Mission, to be supplied.
 Newbern, Albert W. Rowland.
 Monroe, Curtiss A. Connaway.
 Agent Orphan's Home, Jesse Boring.
 Professor Emory College, Josiah Lewis, jr.
 Sunday-school Secretary, Atticus G. Haygood.
 Editor New Monthly Magazine, W. P. Harrison.

GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

Josiah Lewis, Sr., P. E.

{ Griffin, John W. Heidt.
 { Griffin City Mission, Robert R. Johnson.
 Zebulun, Wesley F. Smith.
 Pike and Pine Mount Mission, W. H. Graham.
 Thomaston, Miller H. White.
 Barnesville, John P. Duncan.
 McDonough, John H. Harris.
 Jonesboro, Levi P. Neese.
 Forest Station Mission, to be supplied.
 Fayetteville, David Nolan.

Culloden, Marshall F. Malsby.
 Clinton, James M. Armstrong.
 Jackson, Wesley G. Hanson, D. L. Anderson.
 Forsyth, Francis A. Kimball.
 Forsyth Circuit, Joseph J. Singleton.

John J. Davis, transferred to Little Rock Conference.

Amicus W. Williams, transferred to Louisiana Conference.

James M. Stokes, transferred to Florida Conference.

Henry J. Ellis, transferred to South Georgia Conference.

8.—SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FORT VALLEY, GA., *December 14-19, 1870.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; J. BLAKELY SMITH, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Adam A. Robinson, Robert L. Honiker, Robert D. Gentry, Isaac C. Raybun, Summerfield N. Tucker, William A. Green, John B. Culpepper, John W. Glenn. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James K. Armstrong, Edwin J. Burch, George E. Gardner, Julian S. Jordan, James Skipper, W. G. Boothe. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Francis M. Russell, Epps Tucker, James T. Johnson. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Charles J. Toole, Charles E. Brown, Herbert P. Myers, James Spence, Hastings Puckett, Alex. P. Wright, Lowndes A. Darsey, Henry C. Fentress, Dan'l G. Pope, Carolin C. Hines. 10.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Thomas S. Armstead, Henry J. Ellis, James A. Rosser. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

W. M. Conley. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Geo. E. Gardner, Julian S. Jordan. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Geo. E. Gardner, Julian S. Jordan. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Thos. Bazemore, Geo. A. Wood, Lindsay Laney, W. H. Cordell, Geo. M. Prescott. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Thos. Bazemore, Lindsay Laney, W. H. Cordell, Chas. H. R. Hayes, John Striplin, James D. Russ, Geo. M. Prescott. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

W. M. Hays, Chas. J. Toole, Chas. E. Brown, Herbert P. Myers, James Spence, Hastings Puckett, Alex. P. Wright, Lowndes A. Darsey, Henry C. Fentress, Carolin C. Hines, John M. Potter. 11.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

W. M. Hays, C. J. Toole, C. E. Brown, H. P. Myers, J. Spence, H. Puckett, A. P. Wright, L. A. Darsey, H. C. Fentress, Carolin C. Hines. 10.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

W. T. Rea, Jefferson F. Wright, John J. Sessions, John G. McCullers, Robert N. Andrews, Adam A. Robinson. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Jefferson F. Wright, Adam A. Robinson, John M. Boland, John J. Sessions. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

James Tabor Payne. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
Robert F. Williamson, W. M. C. Conley. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
W. B. McHan, Charles A. Moore, Wyatt Brooks, John B. Wardlaw, John S. Ford, John H. Robinson, David Blalock, Jacob R. Owen, Henry P. Pitchford, W. W. Griffin, Capel Raiford, Thos. C. Coleman, F. R. C. Ellis, Young F. Tigner, Seaborn J. Childs, James Dunwody, Reuben H. Lucky, David Crenshaw. 18.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Charles L. Hayes, J. M. N. Lowe. 2.

CHARLES L. HAYES was born in Tatnall county, Ga., February 9, 1804. He was licensed to preach in 1832, and admitted on trial in the Georgia Conference in 1835, and appointed as junior preacher on the Perry Circuit. He was admitted into full connection in the Conference and ordained deacon in 1837, and elder in 1839. He was superannuated in 1849, and restored to the effective ranks again in 1850. He was again superannuated in 1854, after which his health was too feeble ever again to admit of his undertaking to do active service. In 1856 he was transferred to the Alabama Conference, but returned to the Georgia Conference in 1858. He died in Russell county, Ala., September 9, 1870, after about eighteen hours of extreme suffering. He had been married forty-two years, and brought up eight children, and was himself the first case of mortality in his large family. Brother Hayes, though by no means an educated man, was a very useful and successful preacher, and a faithful and laborious pastor. The fields of his active labors lay in the middle and southern sections of the State, and God blessed him in all these fields with many seals to his ministry. And, even when his failing health forced him from the active ranks, he still employed what time and strength he had in efforts to recover the waste and destitute places to God, making glad with the tidings of salvation many hearts that were otherwise in ignorance and darkness. His unaffected piety, combined with the simplicity and earnestness of his manners and appeals, gave him access to many hearts that might never have received the message of the gospel from the learned and eloquent. He died, as he had lived, triumphing over all his spiritual foes by a strong and child-like faith in a once crucified but now risen and ascended Saviour, and is gone to an ample reward on high.

JAMES M. N. LOWE.—Of the time and place of Brother Lowe's birth, and the circumstances of his early life, we are unable to gain any information. As to his literary advantages, we are certain that they were very limited. The first knowledge that we have of him is in 1840, in Stewart county, when he resolved upon following what he felt to be the indication of the Spirit of God, in entering upon the arduous and responsible life of an itinerant preacher. After

a few years given to preparing himself for the ministry, he was admitted on trial at the session of the Georgia Conference held in the winter of 1845. This being the year of the setting off of the Florida Conference, and the circuit to which he was appointed falling within the territory assigned to that Conference, he became a member of it, and there performed all his service as an active itinerant preacher. He was ordained Deacon in 1847, and Elder in 1849, and continued in the active work until 1858, when, in consequence of declining health, he was given a superannuated relation. His home being in South-western Georgia, when the Southern portion of the State was ceded by the Florida Conference to Georgia, he became a member of this Conference, to which he sustained a superannuated relation until his death, which took place in Clay county, September 28, 1870. By those who were best acquainted with Brother Lowe, and knew most concerning his labors, he was regarded as a man of strong natural abilities and simple but earnest piety. As a preacher, he was quite successful in building up and advancing the interests of the Church in the fields assigned to him. But his work was soon done; and then, through years of physical debility and suffering, he waited till the summons came to depart, and he is now gone to his reward.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Savannah District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Savannah:			
Trinity and Isle of Hope.....	502	3	5
Wesley Chapel and City Mission...	192	.....	1
Springfield.....	364	5	3
Sylvania Cir. and Beaver Dam Miss..	415	7	4
Bethel.....	85	.....	1
Alexander.....	413	.....	2
Waynesboro.....	317	.....	.....
Swainsboro Mission.....	342	10	4
Louisville.....	530	10	5
Davisboro.....	302	1	3
Sandersville.....	115	.....	3
Washington Cir. and Gibson Miss....	574	2	5
	4151	38	30

Macon District.

Macon:			
Mulberry St., Vineville and East			
Macon.....	446	.....	3
City Mission.....	75	.....	1
First Street.....	284	.....	2
Macon Circuit.....	125	5	.....
Gordon.....	52	.....	1
Irwinton ..	230	.....	1
Jeffersonville.....	451	1	3
Hawkinsville Station.....	86	.....	1
Pulaski and Wilcox Mission.....	149	.....	1
Fort Valley and Marshalville.....	225	.....	6
Houston Circuit.....	373	.....	2
Knoxville Mission.....	353	.....	5

Macon District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Perry Station	140	.....	3
Hayneville Circuit.....	360	.....	3
Montezuma and Vienna Circuit.....	529	.....	4
Swift Creek Mission.....	122	3	1
	4000	9	37

Columbus District.

Columbus:			
St. Luke	497	.....	1
St. Paul.....	210	.....	.....
Girard, Wesley Chapel, and Factory Mission.....	236	.....	1
Muscogee Circuit.....	301	.....	.....
Hamilton.....	248	.....	4
Talbotton Station.....	182	.....	3
Talbot Circuit.....	475	.....	2
Pleasant Grove.....	199	.....	1
Butler.....	364	.....	5
Buena Vista.....	410	.....	4
Juniper Mission.....	126	.....	1
Cusseta.....	311	.....	.....
Upatoi Cir. and Pine Knot Mission.....	170	.....	2
Cedar Creek.....	283	.....	6
	4012	.....	30

Americus District.

Americus	329	3
Bethel	375	.....	7
Oglethorpe and Ellaville.....	400	20	5
Magnolia Springs.....	282	.....	4
Starkville Mission.....	126	.....	2
Cuthbert and Georgetown.....	246	.....	2
Spring Vale.....	325	.....	3
Dawson	256	.....	2
Terrell Cir. and County Line Miss..	460	1	7
Weston.....	474	.....	1
Lumpkin.....	158	.....	2
Florence	422	.....	4
	3853	21	42

Bainbridge District.

Bainbridge	131	.....	.....
Dodatur Circuit.....	158	.....	.....
Spring Creek Mission.....	117	.....	1
Colquitt.....	150	12	.....
Blakely and Trinity.....	143	85	1
Fort Gaines.....	52	.....	1
Morgan	265	.....	1
Camilla.....	220	.....	2
Cairo	220	40	2
Spring Hill & Thomas County Miss..	130	.....	1
Grooversville.....	232	.....	1
Thomasville.....	135	.....	3
Albany	121	.....	.....
Flint River Mission.....	126	.....	2
	2200	137	15

Brunswick District.

Brunswick and City Mission.....	155	4
St. Mary's	46	.....	.....
Center Village Mission.....	133	12	1
Waynesville.....	89	.....	1
Wareboro	305	.....	6
Arlington Mission.....	173	61	.....
Holmesville	191	40	3
Ocmulgee	175	40	1
Coffee and Irwinville Mission.....	150	33	1
Stockton	171	24	4
Valdosta	253	.....	2
Quitman	151	.....	.....
Morven	336	.....	4
Moultrie Mission.....	158	.....	5
	2486	210	32

Altamaha District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Hinesville.....	336	.....	8
Darien and Reynolds Chapel	73	.....	.....
Statesboro and Bryan Circuit.....	167	.....	2
Dublin.....	245	.....	3
County Line Mission.....	190	.....	1
Rocky Creek	123	.....	2
Oconee.....	336	62	2
Jacksonville.....	381	149	4
Reidsville Cir. and Tatnall Mission..	360	.....	1
Altamaha.....	234	27	1
	2445	238	24

Recapitulation.

Savannah District.....	4151	38	36
Macon	4000	9	37
Columbus	4012	.....	30
Americus	3853	21	42
Bainbridge	2200	137	15
Brunswick	2486	210	32
Altamaha	2445	238	24
Total this year.....	23,147	653	216
Total last year.....	22,447	952	210
Increase.....	700	.....	6
Decrease.....		299	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Whites, 795
Colored, 48

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

Whites, 1483
Colored, 123

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
293.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1916.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
12,843.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$7,925.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$4380 27

Applied as follows:
Paid to claimants, \$4215 08
Paid for minutes, stationery, etc., 165 19

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

For Domestic Missions, \$6459 89
For Foreign Missions, 1204 35
Church debt, 85 00

\$7749 24

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Columbus, Ga.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

James W. Hinton, P. E.

Savannah:

Trinity, James E. Evans.
Wesley Church and City Mission, Geo. G. N. MacDonnell.
Springfield, Thos. B. Lanier, Julian S. Jordan.
Sylvania, Wm. T. McMichael.
Bethel, Robert H. Howren.
Alexander, Wm. S. Baker.
Waynesboro, N. B. Ousley.
Louisville, Robt. W. Flournoy.
Davisboro, James A. Rosser.
{ Sandersville, John W. Simmons.
{ Washington, John B. Culpepper.
Gibson, Summerfield N. Tucker.

MACON DISTRICT.

Joseph S. Key, P. E.

Macon:

{ Mulberry Street, and Vineville, James O. Branch, H. J. Ellis.
{ East Macon, John W. Burke.
{ First Street, to be supplied.
{ City Mission, to be supplied (by R. Cain).
Macon Circuit, Wm. C. Bass.
Gordon, Cosby W. Smith.
Irwinton, John W. Glenn.
Jeffersonville, Adam A. Robinson.
Swift Creek, to be supplied (by Wm. Griffin).
{ Hawkinsville and Long Street, Charles A. Fulwood.
{ Pulaski and Wilcox Mission, James Spence.
{ Fort Valley and Marshalville, Benjamin F. Breedlove.
{ Houston, James Jones.
Beaver Dam Circuit, Robt. F. Evans.
Perry, Walter Knox.
Hayneville, Stephen S. Sweet.
Montezuma, James Skipper.
Dooly Mission, to be supplied (by N. Athon).
Wesleyan Female College, John M. Bonnell, Pres't; C. W. Smith and W. C. Bass, Prof's.
Editor S. C. Advocate, Edward H. Myers.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

Thomas T. Christian, P. E.

Columbus:

St. Luke, Osborne L. Smith.
St. Paul, Alexander M. Wynn.
Wesley Chapel, Alvin J. Dean.
Muscogee, Stephen D. Clements.
Hamilton, Wm. F. Robinson.
Talbotton, Franklin A. Branch.
Talbot, James M. Austin, R. L. Honiker.
Geneva, Shelton R. Weaver, Wm. A. Green.
Butler, Jesse R. Littlejohn.
Buena Vista, Wm. W. Stewart.
Cusseta, Wm. M. D. Bond.
Oglethorpe Circuit, Wm. M. Tidwell.
Levert Female College, Henry D. Moore, Pres't.

AMERICUS DISTRICT.

J. Blakely Smith, P. E.

Americus, John B. McGehee.
Bethel, John E. Sentell.
Magnolia Springs, Churchwell A. Crowell.
Ellaville, Geo. S. Johnson, R. F. Williamson, Sup.
Smithville, Dennis O'Driscoll.
Cuthbert and Georgetown, Robert B. Lester.
Spring Vale, Norman D. Morehouse.
Dawson, Ed. A. H. McGehee.
Terrell, Geo. T. Embry.
Weston, Ed. J. Rentz, Benj. J. Baldwin.
Lumpkin, John M. Marshall.
Stewart, James Harris, one to be supplied.

BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT.

George C. Clarke, P. E.

{ Bainbridge, Robt. W. Dixon.
{ Factory Mission, to be supplied (by W. M. Russell).
Decatur, Jesse J. Giles.
Trinity, Wesley Lane.
Colquitt, Wm. F. Roberts, J. M. Potter.
Fort Gaines and Blakely, Wm. M. Hays.
Morgan, Thomas S. Armstead.
Camilla, Jas. T. Ainsworth.
Cairo, Philemon C. Harris.
Grooversville, Wm. M. Watts.
Duncanville, Chas. E. Brown.
Thomasville, Chas. R. Jewett.
Albany, Robert J. Corley.
Flint River Mission, to be supplied (by T. L. Speight.)

BUNSWICK DISTRICT.

D. R. McWilliams, P. E.

{ Brunswick and City Mission, Jas. O. A. Cook.
{ Buffalo Mission, to be supplied (by B. C. Franklin).
St. Mary's, Herbert P. Myers.
Center Village, Isaac C. Rabun.
Waynesville, John L. Williams.
Waresboro, James D. Maulden.
Jessup, Wm. M. Kennedy.
Holmesville, Marcus A. McKibben.
Ocmulgee, to be supplied (by E. B. Findley).
Nashville and Allapaha Mission, W. H. Thomas, one to be supplied.
Stockton, Alex. P. Wright.
Valdosta, James K. Armstrong.
Quitman, John W. Talley.
{ Morven, Leonard C. Peek.
{ Moultrie, to be supplied (by W. M. Buntten).

ALTAMAHA DISTRICT.

Lewis B. Payne, P. E.

Hinesville, Wm. G. Booth.
Darien and McIntosh, Edwin J. Burch.
Bryan Mission, Wm. M. C. Conley, Sup.
Scarborough, Lowndes A. Darsey.
Dublin, John J. Morgan.

Wrightsville, Carolin C. Hines.
 County Line, to be supplied (by C. A. Moore).
 Swainesboro, Charles J. Toole.
 Jacksonville, to be supplied (by J. R. Ware).
 Oconee, Robert D. Gentry.
 Cochran Mission, Henry C. Fentress.
 Altamaha, Wm. F. Conley.
 Reidsville, Daniel G. Pope.
 Emory College, James O. A. Clark and Isaac T. Hopkins, Professors.

Agent for Sunday-schools, Lovick Pierce.
 Agent for Orphans' Home, Samuel Anthony.

Geo. H. Patillo, F. F. Reynolds, Jas. G. Worley, Geo. E. Gardner, B. E. L. Timmons, transferred to North Georgia Conference.

Matthew H. Fielding and Hastings Puckett, transferred to Little Rock Conference.

John W. Mills, transferred to East Texas Conference.

9.—FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TALLAHASSEE, FLA., *January 4-9, 1871.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; U. SINCLAIR BIRD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. David W. Core, John W. Barnett, Styling S. Moore, Robert M. Ellzey, Jeremiah J. Rast. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

T. W. Tomkies, S. E. Phillips, R. H. Barnett, U. Sinclair Bird, Ernest J. Crumb. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

George C. Leavel, Frederick Pasco. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

J. J. Seally, C. P. Murdock, Samuel A. McCook. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

J. M. Stokes, W. M. Jerdone. 2. W. Watkin Hicks (from the Lutheran Church).

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

None.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Styling S. Moore, George C. Leavel, Thomas W. Tomkies, Samuel E. Phillips. 4.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Frederick Pasco, David W. Core. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

John M. Bridges, I. A. Tower. 2.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

J. W. Jackson, D. L. Branning. 2.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Thomas Taylor, J. Penny, S. W. Carson, G. W. Fagg. 4.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Archibald Johnson. 1.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

R. I. McCook. 1.

ROBERT I. MCCOOK was born in Wilkinson county, Georgia, January 5, 1817. He first professed religion and joined the Church when in his fourteenth year, and at this early age the impression was made on his mind that God had called him to preach the gospel. Resisting this impression, he lost his religious peace, and finally made shipwreck of his faith. At about twenty-two years of age, he again connected himself with the Church, and was restored to the divine favor, but still shrunk from obeying his call to the ministry until the year 1853. He was then licensed to preach, and was admitted on trial in the Florida Conference in 1854. From that time (except during the year 1866, when he was superannuated), he labored with devoted zeal and encouraging success, filling various important charges with great usefulness until, on the 22d of November, 1870, the Master called him from labor to reward. He died at Key West, where six years of his active ministry had been spent, and where he was greatly beloved. He was a godly man. "Holiness to the Lord" was his theme in the pulpit, and was illustrated in his daily life. His end was peace, and his works do follow him.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Tallahassee District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee.....	169	.....	.....
Monticello.....	132	.....	.....
Apalachicola.....	91	.....	1
Quincy.....	87	.....	.....
Leon Circuit.....	135	.....	.....
Wakena.....	280	.....	4
Wakulla.....	502	6	5
Gadsden.....	369	.....	6
Union.....	161	.....	3
Liberty.....	189	5	1
Aucilla.....	50	.....	1
Madison and Belleville.....	463	.....	2
Taylor and La Fayette.....	390	20	5
	3018	31	23

Jacksonville District.

Lake City.....	80	.....	3
Newnansville.....	103	.....	1
Columbia.....	326	.....	3
Live Oak.....	340	.....	6
Hamilton.....	191	15	2
Blount's Ferry Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Sanderson and Lake Butler Circuit.....	195	1	3
Jacksonville, First Charge.....	128	.....	1
Duval Mission.....	78	.....	.....
Fernandina and Nassau Circuit.....	23	.....	.....
Middleburg.....	139	.....	2
St. John's and Pilatka.....	100	.....	1
Jacksonville, Second Charge.....	29	.....	1
	1732	16	23

Tampa District.

Tampa and Hillsborough Circuit.....	175	.....	2
Hernando and Clear Water.....	259	.....	3
Brooksville.....	125	.....	1
Sumter.....	258	.....	3
Ocala.....	245	.....	4
Micanopy.....	250	.....	2
Gainesville.....	43	.....	1
Levy and Cedar Keys.....	177	.....	1
Orange and Volusia.....	250	.....	6
	1782	.....	23

Key West District.

Key West:			
First Charge.....	120	1	.....
Second Charge.....	108	.....	.....
Key West Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Manatee and Pease Creek.....	177	6	1
Indian River Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Bartow Circuit.....	125	.....	3
	530	7	4

Recapitulation.

Tallahassee District.....	3018	31	23
Jacksonville ".....	1732	16	23
Tampa ".....	1782	.....	23
Key West ".....	530	7	4
Total this year.....	7062	54	78
Total last year.....	5402	350	73
Increase.....	1660		5
Decrease.....		296	

Ques. 17. How many infants and adults have been baptized during the year?

Infants, 348
Adults, 498

Ques. 18. What is the number of Sunday-schools, teachers, and scholars?

Schools, 88
Teachers, 488
Scholars, 2814

Ques. 19. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$1935.

Ques. 20. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$654 01

Applied to superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 21. What has been contributed for the Missionary and Tract Societies?

Missions, \$950 58

Ques. 22. When and where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Madison, Fla.

Ques. 23. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.

A. J. Woldridge, P. E.

Tallahassee, T. W. Moore.

Leon, E. L. T. Blake.

Crawfordsville, W. Williams.

Bethel, S. A. McCook.

Liberty, D. W. Core.

Gadsden, S. Woodberry, G. C. Leavel, G. W.

Fagg, Sup.

Quincy, R. L. Wiggins.

Monticello, U. S. Bird.

Apalachicola, to be supplied.

Wakena, L. G. R. Wiggins.

LIVE OAK DISTRICT.

J. A. Wiggins, P. E.

Live Oak, W. Davies.

Welborn, M. A. Clontz.

Union, E. J. Knight, T. Taylor, Sup.

Madison, to be supplied (by J. M. Hendry).

Hamilton, R. M. Ellzey.

Taylor and La Fayette, J. W. Barnett.

Lake City, R. M. Tydings.

Columbia, T. K. Leonard.

Lake Butler, J. J. Rast.

Newnansville, J. M. Stokes.

Fernandina, T. W. Tomkies.

Nassau, C. P. Murdock.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

J. P. DePass, P. E.

Jacksonville:

First Charge, J. Anderson.

Second Charge, F. Pasco.

St. John's, S. S. Moore.

Volusia, to be supplied (by M. Penwell).
 Orange, to be supplied (by R. M. Rease).
 Sumter, S. E. Phillips.
 Ocala, W. M. Jerdone.
 Withlacoochie, to be supplied (by J. S. Collier).
 Oclawaha, O. Eady.
 Gainesville and Archer, R. H. Barnett.
 Cedar Keys, T. R. Barnett, J. Penny, Sup.
 Micanopy, J. C. Ley.
 Middleburg, W. K. Turner.

TAMPA DISTRICT.

E. F. Gates, P. E.

Tampa, E. S. Tyner.
 Clear Water, I. Mundry.

Brooksville, E. H. Giles, S. W. Carson, Sup.
 Brevard, to be supplied.
 Alafia, J. J. Seally.
 Bartow, W. C. Jordan.
 Pease Creek, to be supplied (by W. McQuan).
 Manatee, to be supplied.
 Key West:
 First Charge, S. Gardner.
 Second Charge, E. B. Duncan.
 Mission to the Seminole Indians, W. E. Collier.
 Agent to raise money to liquidate the Old Missionary Debt, J. Anderson.
 W. W. Hicks, transferred to South Georgia Conference, and appointed to the First Church, Macon.

10.—ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MONTGOMERY, ALA., December 7-14, 1870.

BISHOP McTYEIRE, *President*; J. M. BROWN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. J. M. Mason, P. B. Safford, T. C. M. Golland, D. C. Stanley. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

C. B. Dubose, C. J. Nugent, C. L. Farrington, A. C. Baker, J. M. Brown, W. M. Winn, A. S. Douglas, R. H. Harris, J. S. Williams, I. Z. T. Morris, W. F. Norton. 11.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

R. F. Nabors, A. M. Gillespie. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

D. J. Wright, Wm. H. Morris. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Robert Smyly, F. Walker, L. H. Cooper, John J. Cassady. 4.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

E. V. Levert, J. Barker, A. J. Coleman, H. Urquhart, A. D. McVoy, O. R. Blue, R. E. Carey, D. C. Crook, William Murrah. 9.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

M. J. Low, H. M. Gillis. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

W. M. Winn, D. J. Wright. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

William H. Morris, W. M. Winn, D. J. Wright. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Berryman Hawkins, Levi Smith, C. H. Kelly, J. Z. S. Connerly, D. C. Stanley, A. M. L. Douglas, F. Jeter, J. C. Avent, J. E. D. Bramell, Norman A. Gillis (white). 10. Madison Potter (colored). 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

D. C. Stanley, A. M. L. Douglas, J. C. Avent. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

R. M. Powers, Thomas S. Armistead. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

R. M. Powers, Thomas S. Armistead. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

J. K. Word, James F. Dowdell, L. A. Jones, P. O. Harper. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

James F. Dowdell. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Charles A. King, W. A. Montgomery, J. E. Newman. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

T. J. Rutledge, J. G. Rush, P. R. McCrory, J. A. Withers, W. H. Morris, J. H. Lockhart. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Z. Dowling, S. F. Pilley, E. W. Story, J. M. Jennings, J. P. Dickinson, C. D. Nicholson, Jemison Scaif, J. T. Talley, I. I. Tatum, J. T. Roper, G. Garrett, C. Strider, T. S. Abernathy, William Murrah, M. C. Turrentine. 15.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

T. L. Densler, J. F. Dickinson, J. W. Starr. 3.
[Elisha Callaway died within the bounds of the North Mississippi Conference. See the Minutes of that Conference.]

THOMAS L. DENSLER was born in Savannah, Ga., September 4, 1804, and died in the 66th year of life, in Autauga county, Ala., in 1870. When sixteen years old he professed religion, and was received into the M. E. Church by the Rev. Samuel Jones of the Georgia Conference, and in 1838 he was licensed to preach, by Bishop Capers. In 1840 he removed from Georgia to Alabama, and the following year joined the Alabama Conference. With the exception of a short interval, caused by bodily infirmity, he traveled from the year 1841 until 1870, in the Alabama and Montgomery Conferences, and "ceased at once to work and live." For the most part his fields of labor were in the eastern part of the State, including nearly every circuit from the mountains of Alabama to the everglades of Florida. His first appointment was Jones's Valley Circuit, where he exhibited that ardor and zeal peculiar to his age, as a man and minister, and which ever carries with it conviction and wins souls to Christ. His last appointment was Autauga Circuit, where, with great acceptability, he labored until he died. On this work he had many friends, and died regretted by his charge, with his name and memory embalmed in the hearts of his people. His expositions of Scripture were lucid and clear, his language well selected, and correctly used. Sound theology, legitimate interpretations, and impressive delivery, were notable in all his preaching. In general terms, he was expository and hortatory, and capable of feeling that tender love that binds a pastor to the people of God. He was gifted in prayer and song, and often in the exercise of these gifts, in family worship, his own soul was stirred within him, and a halo of heavenly light burst upon the family circle, and all rejoiced together. He had but one purpose of life—it was to itinerate and battle in these fields of conflict; to be buried on the fields through which he had fought, and from the toils of a traveling minister, to go to his reward. In this he was gratified. He died in the work, and at his post. His last hours of life were peaceful and calm, and he was ready and willing to die. He died in a perfectly rational state of

mind, giving every assurance that God was with him, and that he comforted him. At his request, his funeral-sermon was preached from 1 Thess. iv. 14: "For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." His dying message to the Conference was: "Tell the Bishop and brethren I died at my post, and to meet me in heaven."

JOHN F. DICKINSON, son of the Rev. John P. and Elvira E. Dickinson, was born in Henry county, Ga., August 8, 1828. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church in July, 1843, was licensed to preach in 1856, and the same year was recommended to the Alabama Conference, and received on trial. Brother Dickinson served the following works with uniform acceptability and success: In 1857, Abbeville Circuit; 1858-59, Union Circuit; 1860-61, Troy Circuit; 1862-63, Union Circuit again; 1864, '65, and '66, Perote Circuit; 1867, Brundige Circuit. At our last Conference he was sent to Rocky Mount Circuit, where he finished his work. He died of meningitis, at the residence of his father, in Pike county, Ala., March 31, 1870. His end was peace. No cloud arose to shut out the city of God or hide the face of Jesus. Going through the valley of death, he grasped firmly and trustfully the rod and the staff of the Almighty, and was comforted. Brother Dowling, who stood by, as he passed through the dark waters, gives the following account of his last moments: "Five hours before he died, I entered his room and asked, 'How are you to-day?' He answered, 'I am safe; I am safe!' About half an hour before he died, I asked, 'My brother, are you conscious of your condition?' He said, 'I am; I feel it.' Then I remarked, 'Do you realize the blessed consolations of the gospel?' He said, 'I do.' Again he said, 'I am resigned to the will of God.' A few moments after this his father approached him and said, 'Have you peace with God?' and was answered promptly, 'I have.' Once more I addressed him, by saying, 'Dear brother, have you any farther statements to make?' He answered, 'None.' And in a few moments passed to his reward in glory." As a preacher, Brother Dickinson combined all the elements of success. He walked with God. The divine love kindled in his heart, permeated his being, was as a fire in his bones, impelling to constant activity in the cause of God. He believed the truths he preached to others. He loved the human race, and hence sought, by all means, to pluck men as brands from the burning. To his religious qualifications for the work of the ministry was added a mind capable of very fine lines of thought, a pleasing address, an animated, forcible, transparent style, agreeable alike to the uncultivated and refined.

JOHN WESLEY STARR was born in Wilkes county, Ga., August 7, 1806. He was the subject of religious impressions at an early period of his life, and at fourteen years of age he professed religion and attached himself to the M. E. Church, of which he was ever after a consist-

ent and working member. In December, 1824, he married Miss Hannah Miller, with whom he lived very happily for forty-five years. In 1825 he was appointed class leader by the Rev. John Hunter, in which capacity he served the Church with great faithfulness and acceptability for three years, when he was licensed to exhort by the Rev. Wm. Steagall. He continued to labor as an exhorter for two years, when the Church called upon him to preach, and, being impressed that this was his duty, he was accordingly licensed to preach by the Rev. Andrew Hamill, September 17, 1830. He continued to work for the Church as a local preacher for three years, when, in 1833, he was admitted into the Georgia Conference, at its session at La Grange of that year. In 1833 he traveled the La Grange Circuit; 1834, Talbotton Circuit; 1835, Zebulon Circuit; 1836, ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew, and sent to Thomaston Circuit; 1837, Madison Circuit. At the close of 1837 he was ordained elder by Bishop Morris, and sent to Madison Circuit. In 1839 he was transferred to the Alabama Conference, and sent to Eufaula (then called Irwinton), where he continued for two years—1841-42. In 1843-44 he was on the Montgomery District; in 1845-46 La Fayette Circuit; 1847, Crawford Circuit; in 1848, he was superannuated; in 1849, he was Agent for the Oak Bowery Female Institute; 1850, Crawford Circuit; 1851, Talladega Circuit; 1852-53, La Fayette Circuit; 1854-55, Summerfield Station; 1856, Tuscaloosa District; 1857, '58, '59, and '60, Summerfield District; 1861, Greenville District; 1862, Randolph Circuit; 1863, '64, and '65, Bibb Iron-works. In 1866 he was superannuated, in which relation he remained until his death, which took place at his home, in Bibb county, February 24, 1870. He was a man of very limited education—indeed, so poorly qualified was he in this respect, that, even at the time of his joining Conference, it was thought by some to be very doubtful whether he could ever succeed. But by devotion to his books and to his work he became a very successful preacher. Nor was his influence confined to the ignorant, for we have heard some of the best educated people of Alabama speak with admiration of his power as a preacher. Brother Starr was devoted to the Church, and was an uncompromising Methodist. He was ever a friend to his brethren in the ministry. He made it a point in life to govern his family; and his children have grown up useful and influential members of society. He was remarkable for his devotion to the long-established usages of Methodism. He was constant in his attendance upon class-meeting, and the love-feast constituted a most important part of his quarterly-meeting exercises. We conclude this notice by an extract from an account of his death written by the Rev. Dr. Mitchell: "Brother Starr was a great sufferer in the latter part of his life. The sickness of which he died was dropsy of the chest, a most painful and distressing disease. When I last visited him, he had just passed through one of these severe paroxysms, which he and all his friends present supposed would be his last, and

he said to me with great emphasis: 'Brother, I have just been down into the cold stream of death, and after wading around through the waters for some time, yet without fear, I found myself suddenly returning to the same shore which I had left, and I confess to you that I was really sorry for it, for I had rather have gone over at once; but I have come back for some purpose, and here I am to await the good pleasure of my heavenly Father.' Furthermore, he said, 'Tell my brethren of the Conference I shall see them no more, and say to them for me, as my last dying testimony, that the old-fashioned doctrine of holiness, as taught by our fathers, is true; it is the doctrine of the Bible, and tell them for me to preach it to the people, but that they need not preach it unless they believe it and love it.' He desired me, farther, to make known to the Church what he considered an important event and incident in his life. At a certain time in the course of the administration of discipline, he came in open conflict with that worldly-liberal view of the subject which claims for young people especially large license in the way of worldly pleasures; and the pressure from the Church, from parents, yea, and from preachers, was so great, he backed down and yielded the point, and, though his ministry, in the early part of his life had at times been attended with great power and unction of the Spirit, he never afterward had the same power and influence over a congregation."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Mobile District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd M-m's.	Loc'l Prs.
Mobile:			
Franklin Street.....	316	.....	.....
St. Francis.....	286	.....	1
St. Paul's.....	220	.....	1
Cottage Hill.....	139	1	3
Eastern Shore.....	70	.....	.....
Whistler.....	145	.....	.....
Citronelle.....	225	.....	2
St. Stephen's.....	187	49	.....
Jackson.....	191	.....	.....
Suggsville.....	101	55	.....
Coffeeville Mission.....	74	7	1
	1954	112	8

Meridian District.

Butler.....	335	.....	2
Bladen Springs.....	335	.....	4
Gaston.....	287	.....	.....
Pierce's Springs.....	134	2	1
Livingston.....	73	.....	1
Belmont.....	110	.....	1
	1274	2	9

Columbus District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Eutaw.....	88
Greene.....	237	4
	325	4

Macon District.

Gainesville Circuit.....	125	1
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La Fayette District.

Tallassee.....	354	1
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Union Springs District.

Greenville.....	174	4
Elba.....	353	14	4
Mount Hilliard.....	274	3
Troy.....	367	.....	3
Rutledge.....	472	11	5
Line Creek.....	110	.....	.....
Union Springs.....	175	.....	1
Sandy Ridge.....	289	.....	3
Pine Level.....	244	.....	.....
Rocky Mount.....	629	.....	4
Fort Deposit.....	171	.....	.....
Brundige.....	296	17	5
	3554	42	29

Marianna District.

Marianna.....	561	.....	.....
Greenwood.....	175	.....	2
Gordon.....	126	.....	2
Westville.....	498	40	4
Campbellton.....	321	.....	6
Calhoun.....	148	1	.....
Cerro Gordo Mission.....	222	6	5
Ozark.....	589	.....	4
Sylvan Grove.....	326	.....	6
Geneva.....	314	25	5
	2775	72	34

Camden District.

Camden.....	60	.....	.....
Black's Bend.....	195	30	1
Sepulga.....	550	60	6
Monroeville.....	400	.....	3
South Butler.....	340	20	4
Oak Hill.....	166	.....	5
Farmersville.....	184	69	.....
Evergreen.....	168	.....	3
Snow Hill.....	104	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	186	.....	2
	2353	179	22

Montgomery District.

Montgomery.....	437	.....	3
Herron Street.....	70	.....	.....
Auburn.....	222	.....	3
Tuskegee.....	256	.....	5
Russell.....	389	.....	4
Crawford.....	351	.....	3
Loachapoka.....	420	.....	4
Tuskegee Circuit.....	401	.....	4
Opelika.....	275	.....	4
Mount Meigs.....	40	.....	1
Hurtville.....	90	.....	1
	2951	.....	32

Wetumpka District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wetumpka.....	85	.....	1
Prattville.....	149	.....	1
Autaugaville.....	220	.....	.....
Lowndesboro.....	82	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	84	20	.....
Carolina.....	183	.....	3
Autauga Circuit.....	397	10	2
	1200	30	7

Eufaula District.

Eufaula.....	227	.....	1
Glennville.....	116	.....	3
Clayton and Louisville.....	173	.....	1
Enon and Midway.....	160	21	3
Hamiter.....	202	.....	1
Villula.....	360	.....	3
Perote.....	270	.....	3
Lawrenceville.....	290	20	1
Choctawhatchie.....	373	.....	1
Chanahatchie.....	297	.....	2
	2468	41	19

Tuskaloosa District.

Havana.....	488	.....	4
Greensboro.....	174	.....	5
Newbern.....	84	.....	.....
Forkland.....	68	.....	.....
Brush Creek.....	395	.....	3
Marion.....	117	.....	1
Summerfield.....	160	.....	2
Perryville.....	243	.....	3
Randolph.....	292	.....	1
Selma.....	257	.....	1
	2278	.....	20

Demopolis District.

Orrville.....	105	.....	1
Rehoboth.....	91	34	4
Uniontown.....	128	.....	.....
Hamburg and Marion Junction.....	52	.....	.....
Dayton.....	182	160	2
Demopolis.....	99	.....	.....
Linden.....	21	.....	.....
Rembert Hills.....	190	.....	2
Choctaw Corner.....	305	.....	3
Lower Peach-tree.....	310	75	3
	1433	269	15

Pensacola District.

Pensacola.....	69	.....	.....
Black Water Mission.....	143	2	1
Pollard.....	242	3	5
Milton.....	66	.....	1
	520	5	7

Recapitulation.

Mobile District.....	1954	112	8
Meridian.....	1274	2	9
Columbus.....	325	.....	4
Macon.....	125	.....	1
La Fayette.....	354	.....	1
Tuskaloosa.....	2278	.....	20
Demopolis.....	1433	269	15
Pensacola.....	520	5	7
Montgomery.....	2951	.....	32
Wetumpka.....	1200	30	7
Eufaula.....	2468	41	19
Union Springs.....	3554	42	29
Marianna.....	2775	72	34
Camden.....	2353	179	22
Total this year.....	23,564	752	208

[We cannot give the comparison with last year's numbers in view of the changes in boundaries.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1621.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
992.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
262.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1823.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
12,123.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$7900.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$5156
Applied in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$4998 50.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Mobile, Ala.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MOBILE DISTRICT.

H. Urquhart, P. E.

Mobile:

Franklin Street, J. W. Rush.
St. Francis Street, A. S. Andrews.
St. Paul's, J. E. Foust.
Cottage Hill, J. Z. T. Morris.
Whistler, J. J. Grace.
Citronelle, R. M. Powers.
St. Stephen's, A. M. Jones, J. C. Rush, Sup.
Eastern Shore, J. A. Spence.
Pensacola, J. A. Pace.
Milton, W. B. Dennis.
Pollard, E. M. Turner.
Mt. Pleasant, to be supplied.
City Mission, to be supplied.
Editor of Books and Christian Advocate, T. O. Summers.

DEMOPOLIS DISTRICT.

S. H. Cox, P. E.

Demopolis, A. Hood.
Livingston, C. B. Dubose.
Belmont, W. L. Kistler.
Gaston, S. M. Thomas.
Butler, T. Walker.
Bladen Springs, W. J. Powers.
Forkland, W. S. Turner.

Gainesville, C. C. Ellis.
Greene, J. M. Patton.
Eutaw, J. M. Mason.

SELMA DISTRICT.

M. S. Andrews, P. E.

Selma, E. M. Bounds, P. R. McCrary, Sup.
Uniontown, T. F. Mangham.
Dayton, E. V. Levert.
Orrville, J. M. Brown.
Rembert Hills, C. W. Calhoun.
Choctaw Corner, G. F. Ellis.
Lower Peach-tree, J. M. Johnson.
Suggsville, A. J. Coleman.
Jackson, J. F. Evans.
Springhill, J. W. McCann.
Marion Junction, B. D. Gayle.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

A. H. Mitchell, P. E.

Greensboro, J. S. Moore.
Newbern, to be supplied.
Marion, J. Bancroft.
Havana, E. Phillips.
Brush Creek, W. H. McDaniel.
Summerfield, M. E. Butt.
Autaugaville and Ivy Creek, W. A. Edwards.
Autauga, B. F. Blow.
Prattville, R. S. Woodward.
Randolph, W. M. Winn.
Perryville, J. W. Vest.
Plantersville, G. R. Talley.
Southern University, J. Hamilton, Agent.

MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.

Wm. Shapard, P. E.

Montgomery, E. Wadsworth.
Herron Street, T. C. M. Golland.
Loachapoka and Mount Meigs, O. R. Blue.
Tuskegee, E. S. Smith.
Tuskegee Circuit, Isaac Spangler, J. A. Wethers, Sup.
Tallasse, J. S. Williams.
Elmore, R. F. Perdue, one to be supplied.
Notasulga, R. E. Carey.
Auburn, W. A. McCarty.
Opelika, J. Barker, T. J. Rutledge, Sup.
Salem, W. B. Neal, J. H. Lockhart, Sup.
Crawford, R. H. Harris.
Hurtville and Silver Run, W. K. Norton.
Wetumpka, C. J. Nugent.
Euphaup Mission, L. F. Dowdell.
Tuskegee Female College, B. B. Ross.
East Alabama College, A. D. McVoy.
Opelika High School, E. D. Pitts.

EUFAULA DISTRICT.

J. L. Cotten, P. E.

Eufaula, A. J. Briggs.
Glennville, R. B. Crawford.
Clayton and Louisville, J. W. Glenn.
Providence and Springhill, E. L. Loveless.

Villula, J. W. Solomon.
 Perote, L. Patterson.
 Enon and Midway, W. H. Wild.
 Lawrenceville, C. L. Dobbs.
 Choctawhatchie, J. M. Brown.
 Chanahatchie, to be supplied.
 Ozark, A. S. Dickinson.

MARIANNA DISTRICT.

A. Dowling, P. E.

Marianna, D. C. Crook.
 Greenwood, J. J. Cassidy.
 Holmes Valley, W. H. Morris.
 Calhoun Mission, to be supplied.
 Gordon, W. P. H. Connerly.
 Sylvan Grove, S. H. Cooper.
 Geneva, D. C. Stanley.
 Cerro Gordo Mission, to be supplied.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

D. M. Hudson, P. E.

Camden, A. S. Douglas.
 Black's Bend, D. J. Wright.
 Pineville, N. Gillis.
 Oak Hill, T. K. Armstrong.
 Snow Hill, to be supplied (by M. Padget).
 Farmersville, J. M. Scott.
 Sepulga, J. L. Skipper.
 Evergreen, R. Smyley.
 Monroeville, H. J. Hunter,
 Lowndesboro, Hayneville, and Union, S. A.
 Pilley.
 South Butler, W. G. Perry.

UNION SPRINGS DISTRICT.

J. W. Shores, P. E.

Union Springs, W. H. Ellison.
 Union, M. M. Graham.
 Pine Level, W. F. Norton.
 Rocky Mount, W. B. Adams, P. B. Saffold.
 Fort Deposit, F. L. B. Shaver.
 Sandy Ridge, B. L. Selman.
 Greenville, W. M. Motley.
 Rutledge, W. W. Graham.
 Troy, W. A. Sampey.
 Brundige, H. M. Gillis.
 Elba Mission, W. C. Robinson.

John Mathews, transferred to Louisiana Conference.

J. B. Cottrell, J. D. Cameron, T. A. S. Adams, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

J. C. Huckabee, C. L. Farrington, transferred to Texas Conference.

W. R. Williams, R. F. Mountain, R. Scales, transferred to North Alabama Conference.

S. K. Cox, transferred to Baltimore Conference.

H. P. Waugh, transferred to Holston Conference.

T. S. Armistead, transferred to North Georgia Conference.

J. A. Parker, transferred to Little Rock Conference.

J. E. Treadwell, transferred to Western Conference.

A. C. Baker, M. J. Law, transferred to West St. Louis Conference.

11.—NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GADSDEN, ALA., November 16-22, 1870.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; J. G. WILSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Geo. T. Whitten, John H. Tucker, Wm. T. Andrews, Benjamin Vaughn, John W. Newman, Robert G. Ragan, Milton M. Hawkins, B. F. Larrabee, James Cox, Robert T. Blackwell, John C. Hunkapillar, W. C. McCoy, W. H. Armstrong, Isaac Q. Milton, W. T. Patillo, P. E. Nicholson, M. G. Foust, James H. Cameron. 18.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Leander F. Whitten, Geo. R. Lynch, Robert F. Mountain. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Isaac G. Groce (at his own request), John C. Duncan, James D. Bush was on the line, and goes to North Mississippi Conference, C. L. Kirksey (in feeble health). 4.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Wm. McQueen, Rezon T. Moore, D. M. Booth, Rufus W. Coons, James E. Andrews. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

W. Weakley, T. H. Deavenport, Phil. L. Henderson, from Tennessee Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Henry L. Booth, Wm. S. Harwell, W. Weakley, P. G. Jamieson, Joseph H. Ledbetter, B. F. Lea. 6.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Wm. McQueen, R. T. Moore, D. M. Booth. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Wm. McQueen, R. T. Moore, D. M. Booth. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Moses L. White, James Harris, Luther B. Sanderson, John E. Doyle, Jno. W. Moran, Wm. Freeman, Hugh F. Gilbreth, Jos. Tebeau, Bruce Harris, David C. Strange, P. E. Nicholson, Wm. T. Patillo, Robert B. Patten, W. McDonald. 14.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Bruce Harris, Wm. T. Patillo, P. E. Nicholson, James A. King, A. S. Davidson, George T. Hickman, Wm. G. H. Crump, Thos. A. Kerr. 8.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Perry K. Brindley, D. C. Crook. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Perry K. Brindley, D. C. Crook. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Joseph C. Wallace, Egbert H. Holland, Wm. Q. Sewell, Ab. L. Davis, Wm. T. Andrews, Jas. E. Verner, Andrew P. Payne, Julius W. Linn, J. C. Hunkapillar, T. K. B. McSpadden, Joseph A. Campbell, Wm. Moore, F. M. Treadaway, Bartley P. Bynum. 14.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Julius W. Linn, John C. Hunkapillar, Francis M. Treadaway, Bartley P. Bynum. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
Rufus Nicholson (at his own request).

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

L. Hensley Grubbs, J. A. Barbee, J. T. Bar-tee, J. M. Hamer, J. A. Nealy, E. B. McLelland, J. N. Dupree, C. W. Smith. 8.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

W. Rhodes, E. McMeans, J. N. Glover, J. M. Towles, C. N. McLeod, Uriah Williams. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Thomas H. Whitby. 1.

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THOMAS H. WHITBY was born in Spartanburg District, South Carolina, about February, 1811, and died at Galesville, Ala., 10th September, 1870. He was converted and joined the Church at Antioch, Union Circuit, South Carolina Conference, in August, 1828. He had been a Church-member but a short time when he was appointed class-leader, in which capacity he served with faithfulness and efficiency. His license to preach bears date, Griffin Circuit, Georgia Conference, December 7, 1844. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew, December 27, 1847, at Marietta, Ga.; and in the same town, and by the same Bishop, on the 13th of January, 1850, he was ordained elder. No information has been obtained as to when or where he joined the traveling connection, except that he entered it in the Georgia Conference. In 1841 he traveled the Villa Rica Circuit. From this date no reliable trace of him appears till 1853, in which year he traveled the Carrollton Circuit, then the Campbellton Circuit. It is probable he transferred to the Alabama Conference, and was appointed to the Russell Circuit in 1858; then the Oak Bowery Circuit. He then served several colored charges in East Alabama. In 1868 he was appointed to the Ashville Circuit, which he served two years. In 1870 he was appointed Bible Agent in the Gadsden District. He was taken sick during a protracted-meeting in which he was engaged. To questions as to his spiritual condition in view of death, his answer was, "My hope is bright, my faith is firm." He spoke of death as having no terrors for him, and closed his laborious and useful life with the consoling reflection, which was among his last utterances: "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me." In the character of Brother Whitby there was a rare and beautiful combination of simplicity, dignity, and firmness; and while we regret that there is so little available from which to compile this memoir, yet we are assured that, without a blemish, he toiled through his itinerant life, and finished his course with joy.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except P. G. Jamieson—charge and four specifications preferred, and case referred to Presiding Elder of Larkinsville District.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Florence District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence Station.....	146	.....	3
Valley.....	168	.....	1
Lexington Circuit.....	390	3	5
Frankfort Mission.....	313	.....	5
Cypress Circuit.....	538	.....	3
Tuscumbia Station.....	102	.....	2

Florence District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Waterloo Circuit.....	308	9	5
Chickasaw.....	276	.....	2
Rodgersville.....	225	.....	.....
	2466	12	26

La Fayette District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fredonia.....	500	20	7
La Fayette.....	204	.....	3
Carolina.....	96	.....	.....
Oak Bowery.....	384	.....	3
	3464	91	41

Athens District.

Trinity Station.....	90	.....	3
Limestone Circuit.....	185	.....	6
Decatur Station.....	47	.....	.....
Athens.....	130	.....	2
Danville Circuit.....	819	.....	9
Somerville.....	470	.....	16
Courtland.....	413	.....	3
	2154	.....	39

Talladega District.

Talladega Station.....	136	1
Montevallo Circuit.....	386	.....	3
Jacksonville Station.....	112	.....	.....
Talladega Circuit.....	557	.....	9
Alexandria.....	300	.....	1
Shelby Iron Works Station.....	26	.....	.....
Harpersville Circuit.....	503	.....	8
Blue Mountain Mission.....	120	.....	2
Montevallo Station.....	68	.....	.....
Fayetteville Circuit.....	403	.....	3
Coosa River Mission.....	240	.....	.....
White Plains.....	395	1	6
	3246	1	33

Huntsville District.

Huntsville Station.....	375
Elk River Circuit.....	140	.....	1
Madison.....	151	.....	.....
Mooreville.....	337	.....	7
Bell and Flint Factory.....	80	.....	.....
Triana.....	67	.....	.....
	1159	.....	8

Tuskaloosa District.

Tuskaloosa Station.....	125	45	1
Kennedale.....	180	.....	1
	305	45	2

Larkinsville District.

Fort Deposit Circuit.....	144	.....	.....
Larkinsville.....	419	1	4
Paint Rock.....	140	3	4
Marshall.....	303	.....	8
Sand Mountain Mission.....	182	1	4
Stevenson Circuit.....	288	3	4
Flat Rock.....	174	.....	4
Coffee Town.....	130	.....	2
	1780	8	30

Columbus District.

Fayette Circuit.....	280	.....	1
Gordo.....	391	.....	.....
Carrollton.....	325	.....	2
Green.....	109	.....	.....
Bexar.....	400	.....	.....
Yellow Creek.....	538	.....	.....
Brush Creek.....	44	.....	1
	2087	.....	4

Gadsden District.

Gadsden Station.....	317	6
Ashville Circuit.....	197	.....	2
Gadsden.....	317	.....	1
Van Buren.....	137	3	4
Coloma Mission.....	183	.....	3
Little River.....	182	.....	.....
Cedar Bluff Circuit.....	375	8	2
Center.....	302	.....	3
Cross Plains.....	163	.....	2
	2173	11	23

Recapitulation.

Florence District.....	2466	12	26
Athens.....	2154	.....	39
Huntsville.....	1159	.....	8
Larkinsville.....	1780	8	30
Gadsden.....	2173	11	23
Jasper.....	3626	20	53
La Fayette.....	3464	91	41
Talladega.....	3246	1	33
Tuskaloosa.....	305	45	2
Columbus.....	2087	.....	4
Total this year.....	22,460	188	259

[Some charges made no report. Reports from Huntsville and Athens Districts not complete. Some of the charges in several of the Districts report to other Conferences.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

559.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1630.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

261.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

1386.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

9952.

La Fayette District.

Dadeville Circuit.....	407	67	9
Arbacoochee.....	500	.....	5
Socapatoy.....	116	.....	2
Lineville.....	219	.....	3
Pinckneyville.....	624	.....	6
Wedowee.....	100	.....	1
Marble Valley.....	314	4	2

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
No report.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1164 95

Applied as follows:

Mrs. R. L. Andrews and children,	\$141 65
Mrs. T. Lynch,	50 00
Rev. C. W. Smith,	65 00
Mrs. Sue Belton and children,	50 00
Rev. J. N. Glover,	25 00
Rev. C. N. McLeod,	101 65
Mrs. M. T. Lynch,	140 00
Rebecca Matthews,	65 00
Myra Erwin,	75 00
Rev. U. Williams,	50 00
Mrs. T. H. Whitby,	50 00
Mrs. Bailey,	50 00
Rev. E. McMeans,	141 65
Rev. Wm. Rhodes,	25 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$2010 36.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Florence, Ala.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

FLORENCE DISTRICT.

J. W. Whitten, P. E.

Florence Station, Hardy Brown.
Rodgersville and Driskill's Chapel Station, D. M. Booth.
Lexington Circuit, to be supplied (by J. G. Gibson).
Cypress Circuit, J. S. Marks, L. F. Whitten.
Tuscumbia Station, J. H. Anderson.
Valley Station, J. B. Stevenson.
Chickasaw Circuit, B. J. Gaston.
Frankfort Mission, to be supplied (by W. B. Blackburn).
Russell's Valley Circuit, J. C. Phelps.
Moulton Circuit, W. McQueen.
Courtland Circuit, P. L. Henderson, G. T. Whitten.
President Florence Wesleyan University, W. H. Anderson.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. Boland, P. E.

Huntsville Station, Anson West.
Triana Circuit, W. Weakley.
Madison, J. L. Coleman.
Meridianville, H. P. Turner.
Mooresville, W. T. Andrews.
Limestone, T. F. Brown.
Athens Station, J. A. Thompson.
Decatur, J. S. Davis.
Trinity, F. P. Scruggs.
Danville Circuit, M. L. Whitten, J. A. Barbee, Sup.

Winston Mission, J. W. Harvey.
Somerville Circuit, Robert Scales.
President Huntsville Female College, J. G. Wilson.

LARKINSVILLE DISTRICT.

A. F. Driskill, P. E.

Larkinsville Circuit, B. F. Lea.
Maysville Station, R. T. Blackwell, J. T. Barte, Sup.
New Market Circuit, M. E. Johnston.
Bell and Flint Factory, B. Vaughn.
Vienna Circuit, W. S. Harwell, J. M. Hamer, Sup.
Marshall, J. C. Hunkapillar, one to be supplied.
Coffee Town, R. T. Moore.
Sand Mountain Mission, W. C. McCoy.
Stevenson Circuit and Flat Rock Mission, J. Cox, one to be supplied.
Paint Rock Mission, W. H. Anthony.

GADSDEN DISTRICT.

C. D. Oliver, P. E.

Gadsden Station, R. A. Timmons.
Gadsden Circuit, J. G. Walker.
Coloma Mission, to be supplied.
Cedar Bluff Circuit, P. K. Brindley, J. A. Neely, Sup.
Van Buren, E. F. S. Roberts.
Little River Mission, to be supplied (by R. Price).
Ashville, R. F. Mountain.
Murfree's Valley Circuit, R. W. Coons.
Blountsville, J. E. Andrews.
Elyton Station, T. G. Slaughter.
Elyton Circuit, T. P. Roberts.
Jonesboro, J. G. Gurley.
Warrior Mission, to be supplied (by W. Anthony).

TALLADEGA DISTRICT.

L. M. Wilson, P. E.

Center Circuit, E. A. West.
Cross Plains, T. Moody.
Jacksonville Station, T. H. Deavenport.
White Plains Circuit, E. B. Norton.
Alexandria, R. G. Ragan, E. B. McLelland, Sup.
Coosa River Mission, J. Q. Melton.
Talladega Circuit, W. R. Kirk.
Blue Mountain Mission, C. S. D. Lassiter.
Talladega Station, Daniel Duncan.
Fayetteville Circuit, E. C. Odom.
Harpersville, F. T. J. Brandon.
Shelby Iron Works Station, D. S. McDonald.
Montevallo Circuit, J. B. Powers.
Cahaba Mission, M. G. Foust.
Montevallo Station, H. L. Booth.

LA FAYETTE DISTRICT.

L. R. Bell, P. E.

La Fayette Circuit, J. T. Curry.
Oak Bowery, R. J. Sampler.
Dadeville, G. R. Lynch, J. N. Dupree, Sup.
Socapatoy, W. T. Patillo.
Millersville Mission, Henry Young.

Hanover Circuit, W. C. Rowland.
 Pinckneyville, W. D. Nicholson, C. W. Smith, Sup.
 Lineville Mission, G. J. Mason.
 Fredonia Circuit, C. M. Livingston.
 Wedowee Mission, to be supplied.
 Arbacoochee, P. E. Nicholson.

TUSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

J. D. Anthony, P. E.

Tuskaloosa Station, W. E. Mabry.
 Tuskaloosa Circuit, W. H. Armstrong.
 Northport, E. Nicholson.
 Jasper, W. E. Cameron.
 Fairview Mission, J. H. Cameron.
 Pikeville, J. H. Tucker.
 Fayette Circuit, J. W. Newman.
 Vernon, V. O. Hawkins, W. R. Williams.

Yorkville Circuit, G. Hawkins.
 Carrollton, W. L. Clifton.
 Gordo, T. N. Shelton.
 Bexar Mission, D. W. Ward.
 President Tuskaloosa Female College, B. F. Larabee.

James M. Gann, transferred to Mississippi Conference.

O. R. Blue, A. D. McVoy, R. E. Carey, D. C. Crook, transferred to Alabama Conference.

Thomas Cameron, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

R. K. Brown, T. L. Moody, U. S. Bates, Jasper Nichols, B. G. Ferrell, and J. H. Nichols, transferred to Tennessee Conference.

Joseph H. Ledbetter and Milton M. Hawkins, transferred to Missouri Conference.

12.—LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT NEW ORLEANS, LA., January 4-10, 1871.

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; CHARLES F. EVANS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Philip Allen. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John A. G. Rabe, Joseph W. Medlock, Joseph Gorton Miller, J. Lane Borden, Richard H. Adair. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
 None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

James M. McKee, Robert Randle. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
 John W. Hearn. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Robert A. Davis, Amicus Williams, John Matthews, Robert Parvin, W. D. Stayton. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
 None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Richard H. Adair, John A. G. Rabe, J. Gorton Miller, J. Lane Borden, Joseph W. Medlock, Robert Randle. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Richard H. Adair, John A. G. Rabe, J. Gorton Miller, J. Lane Borden, Joseph W. Medlock, Robert Randle. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Joseph Moore, John Fopp, Monroe Evans, John Lewis Burton (colored). 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

William Shepherd* (white). 1. Joseph Moore, John Fopp, Monroe Evans, John Lewis Burton (colored). 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

C. A. C. Herlong (white). 1. Cyrus Alexander, Warren Williams, William Banks (colored). 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

*Elected previously.

C. A. C. Herlong, Jacob Kile* (white). 2.
Cyrus Alexander, Warren Williams, William
Banks (colored). 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
Alanson W. Moore, J. L. Chapman. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
Seaborn J. Graves, John S. Davis. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
Henry C. Thweatt, Joel Saunders, Thomas
Samford, William E. Doty, A. G. Miller. 5.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during
the past year?

Charles J. Hallberg. 1.
No memoir.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in
their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one,
and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preach-
ers and members in the several circuits, stations,
and missions of the Conference?

New Orleans District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
New Orleans:			
Carondelet Street.....	453	2	2
Felicity Street.....	277	.....	2
Moreau Street.....	98	.....	.....
Dryades Street (German).....	117	.....	.....
Craps Street (German).....	75	.....	.....
La Fayette and Carrollton.....	28	.....	.....
Jefferson City.....	34	.....	1
Algiers.....	28	.....	.....
New Orleans Circuit.....	49	.....	.....
Thibodeaux.....	22	.....	.....
Baton Rouge.....	138	.....	1
Plaquemine and Grosse Tête.....	57	.....	.....
	1376	2	4

Opelousas District.

Opelousas.....	113	.....	2
Bellevue.....	.....	.....	.....
Plaquemine Brulé.....	53	70	1
Washington.....	48	.....	.....
Vermilionville.....	375	170	4
Abbeville.....	28	.....	1
New Iberia.....	189	39	.....
Franklin and Pattersonville.....	110	.....	1
Grand Cheniere.....	40	.....	.....
New Iberia Colored Work.....	.....	40	.....
Lake Charles.....	4	.....	.....
	960	319	9

Alexandria District.

Alexandria.....	18	2	.....
Rapides.....	273	.....	3
Harrisonburg and Sicily Island.....	20	10	.....
Evergreen and Big Cane.....	56	.....	1
Atlanta.....	227	15	2
Spring Creek.....	130	15	1
Centerville.....	215	.....	2
Columbia.....	152	1	.....
Simsport.....	148	26	.....
Calcasieu.....	.....	.....	.....
	1239	69	9

* Elected previously.

Shreveport District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Shreveport.....	120	42	.....
Mooringsport.....	120	7	4
Greenwood.....	118	40	1
Keachie.....	100	.....	.....
Mansfield.....	133	.....	3
Pleasant Hill and Manny.....	470	60	3
Springville.....	175	.....	.....
Anacoco.....	390	28	7
Coushatta Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenwood Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	.....
Keachie Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	.....
De Soto Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	.....
	1626	177	18

Ouachita District.

Ouachita.....	309	.....	1
Monroe and Trenton.....	159	41	.....
Sparta.....	100	30	1
Lake Bisteneau.....	.....	.....	.....
Farmersville.....	328	44	7
Vernon.....	252	50	1
Castor.....	219	.....	6
Louisville.....	70	.....	1
Mount Lebanon.....	153	.....	.....
Minden.....	280	.....	1
North Bossier.....	71	264	6
South Bossier.....	205	200	5
Homer.....	440	.....	5
Haynesville.....	328	171	3
Arizona Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	.....
Minden Colored Charge.....	.....	234	.....
Mount Lebanon Colored Charge.....	.....	30	.....
Homer Colored Charge.....	.....	212	.....
	2914	1276	37

Lake Providence District.

Lake Providence.....	19	.....	1
Waterproof.....	86	200	3
Floyd and Delhi.....	208	.....	6
Carroll.....	65	19	.....
Winnsboro.....	154	.....	1
Richland.....	132	58	3
Bastrop.....	105	.....	2
Lind Grove.....	160	.....	.....
Oak Ridge Colored Charge.....	.....	81	3
Bastrop Colored Charge.....	.....	142	2
	929	500	20

Recapitulation.

New Orleans District.....	1376	2	6
Opelousas.....	960	319	9
Alexandria.....	1239	69	9
Shreveport.....	1626	177	18
Ouachita.....	2914	1276	37
Lake Providence.....	929	500	20
Total this year.....	9044	2343	99
Total last year.....	8078	1899	94
Increase.....	966	444	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been bap-
tized during the year?
726.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been bap-
tized during the year?
720.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-
schools?
76.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
608.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3827.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2250.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2270 80
Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
For Missions, \$3318 25
For Old Debt, 1345 00
\$4663 25

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Monroe, La.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

Linus Parker, P. E.

New Orleans:

Carondelet Street, to be supplied.
Felicity Street, John Matthews.
Moreau Street, T. B. White.
Dryades Street (German), J. A. G. Rabe.
Craps Street (German), J. B. A. Ahrens.
La Fayette and Carrollton (German), to be supplied (by J. Wohlschlager).
Cadiz Street and Carrollton, P. M. Goodwyn.
Louisiana Avenue, J. A. Ivy.
Algiers, J. Gorton Miller.
Baton Rouge, R. S. Trippett.
Plaquemine and Grosse Tête, to be supplied.
Thibodeaux, to be supplied.
Publishing House, R. J. Harp, Agent.
Blind Asylum, Baton Rouge, P. Lane.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.

J. D. Adams, P. E.

Opelousas, A. E. Goodwyn.
Plaquemine Brulé, John V. Pointer.
Washington, to be supplied.
Vermilion, to be supplied.
Abbeville, to be supplied.
New Iberia, W. C. Haislip.
Franklin and Pattersonville, Baxter Clegg, one to be supplied.
Grand Cheniere, to be supplied (by T. Mullet).
Lake Charles, to be supplied (by J. B. Denton).
Calcasieu Pass, S. J. Graves, Sup.
Agent Centenary College, B. F. White.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Fred. White, P. E.

Alexandria and Pineville, to be supplied.
Harrisonburg and Trinity, E. W. Yancey.
Evergreen and Big Cane, to be supplied.
Atlanta, John F. Marshall.
Spring Creek, to be supplied (by J. H. Monroe).
Centerville, to be supplied.
Columbia, Robert A. Davis, John S. Davis, Sup.
Simsport, to be supplied.
Calcasieu, to be supplied.
Rapides, John F. Wynn.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

John Pipes, P. E.

Shreveport, John Wilkinson.
Mooringsport, James M. McKee.
Caddo, Amicus W. Williams.
Keachie, Richard H. Adair.
Mansfield, Marcus C. Manly.
Pleasant Hill and Manny Circuit, Robt. Parvin, Philip Allen.
Manny Mission, to be supplied.
Springville, W. D. Stayton.
Black Lake, Jesse Fulton.
Anacoco, James M. Franklin.
Natchitoches, to be supplied.
Coushatta Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Willis Cottonreider).
Keachie Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Jack McKee).
De Soto Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Joshua Jackson).

OUACHITA DISTRICT.

Samuel Armstrong, P. E.

Monroe, Charles F. Evans.
Trenton, J. Lane Borden.
Ouachita Circuit, Robert T. Parrish.
Farmersville, Robert Randle.
Lisbon, Joseph W. Medlock.
Haynesville, John A. Miller.
Homer, James E. Cobb.
Vernon, N. A. Cravens.
Castor, J. W. Hearn.
Middle Fork Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by John Rousseau).
Homer Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by Americus Ross).
Arizona Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by Stokes Steele).
Homer College, James E. Cobb, President.
Agent Homer College, Thomas J. Upton.

MINDEN DISTRICT.

S. S. Scott, P. E.

Minden Circuit, W. P. Kimball.
North Bossier, H. O. White.
South Bossier, to be supplied (by N. M. Skipworth).
Mount Lebanon, J. W. Jordan.
Sparta, R. M. Crowson.
Louisville, to be supplied (by C. W. Carroll).

Bisteneau, to be supplied (by W. D. Shea).
 Minden Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by E. Powell).
 Cypress Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by J. Fopp).
 Mount Lebanon Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by J. Hampton).

LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.

B. F. Alexander, P. E.

Lake Providence, W. G. McGaughey.
 Waterproof Circuit, P. H. Dieffenwerth.
 Floyd, James E. Bradley.
 Winnsboro, Joseph H. Stone.
 Richland, to be supplied (by J. H. Boulton).
 Bastrop, C. W. Carter.
 Pine Grove and Wright's Chapel, Jas. L. Wright.

Lind Grove, Joel T. Daves.
 Sicily Island, T. H. McClendon.
 Delhi and Tulula, Fisher T. Rawson.
 Oak Ridge Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by Warren Williams).
 Bastrop Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by Cyrus Alexander).
 Tensas Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by Wm. Banks).
 Pine Grove and Wright's Chapel Colored Circuit, to be supplied (by J. L. Burton).
 Degalion, to be supplied (by Monroe Evans).
 W. H. Moss, transferred to East Texas Conference, and stationed at Marshall.
 Joseph B. Walker, transferred to Texas Conference, and stationed at Galveston.
 John C. Reed, transferred to Memphis Conference.

13.—MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS, MISS., *December 14-20, 1870.*

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; C. G. ANDREWS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William J. Seale, John Wesley Sandell, Thomas B. Walden, David P. Bradford, Hiram Rivers Singleton, Peter Wilson Cram, John W. Hall, Alexander Trotter, Daniel G. W. Ellis, George M. Gilmore, James G. Parker. 11.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

David A. Givens, James M. Weems, Lyman Carley, Jacob H. Holland, George W. Chatfield, Ulysses B. Phillips. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Wm. K. Simmons, Robert B. Seeders. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Henry P. Bowen, John C. Carlyle (in elder's orders). 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John Lusk, Thomas Y. Armstrong, Horace M. Booth, Henry T. Jones, Seaborn R. Hyde, Rob't D. Norsworthy. 6.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

James M. Gann, from the North Alabama Conference; Bascom T. Pearson, from the Illinois Conference; Charles B. Galloway, from the

North Mississippi Conference; George Bright, from the St. Louis Conference. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Levi P. Meador, Epaphroditus W. Simmons, Alex. M. Campbell, Charles B. Galloway. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Henry P. Bowen, Lyman Carley. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Henry P. Bowen, Lyman Carley. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Calvin C. Watkins, Benjamin D. Sellers, Miles Lynton. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Jephthah S. Collins, Benjamin D. Sellers, Thos. King. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Robert A. Davis, Parmenas Howard. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Robert A. Davis, Parmenas Howard. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Samuel D. Terry, Noah F. Mitchell, Thomas S. West, Benjamin A. Beason. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Noah F. Mitchell, Thomas S. West, Benjamin A. Beason. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Daniel A. J. Parker, Thomas M. Ward, Christopher R. Godfrey, Charles K. Marshall, John C. Carlyle, Willis H. Germany, Chas. T. French, Robert B. Bowen. 8.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Leonidas R. Redding, Jarrott W. McNeil, Jas. K. Hamblen, Philip S. Petty, John G. Jones, Ransom J. Jones, sr., John B. Bowen. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Barnabas Pipkin, Thomas Clinton, George T. Vickers, Jno. G. Deskin, Jno. B. Higginbotham, Levi Pearce, Hervey Copeland. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

James MacLennan, William Winans Drake, Burwell B. Whittington, John H. Massey (died previously, but never reported), Ulysses L. Thompson (no memoir). 5.

[Richard H. Herbert died within the bounds of the North Mississippi Conference. See the Minutes of that Conference.]

JAMES MACLENNAN was a native of Scotland, and came to this country in early manhood. He was classically educated, and had a thoroughly trained mind. His natural and acquired abilities were such as to guarantee success in whatever undertaking he chose. He was brought up in the bosom of the Established Church of Scotland, and believed fully all its doctrines. So literally and sincerely was her creed of election and predestination credited, that he gave himself no personal concern about his salvation, thinking, as he said, that if he was to be saved, it would all be brought about in God's good time. During a revival of religion in Pontotoc, Mississippi, a remark of a friend was blessed of God to his awakening. She was urging the necessity of immediate attention to religion, he replying by presenting his Calvinistic view. Just before separating from him, she remarked: "If your creed be right and mine wrong, I lose nothing—I am saved; but if mine be right and yours wrong, I am saved also; but you lose every thing." It was like a nail in a sure place, and resulted in his conversion. Soon after attaching himself to the Church, he felt it to be his duty to preach the gospel. He was engaged at the time as an officer in the bank at Jackson. The friends of the bank, appreciating his excellent business qualifications, did their utmost to retain his services, but he resisted their importunities, and joined the Mississippi Conference December 3, 1840. He took position at once in the Conference on account of his educational advantages, his very first appointment

being Jackson Station. His second appointment was to the Lake Washington country, on the Mississippi River. In 1849 he was elected Secretary to the Conference. From 1850 to 1852 he was local. In 1857 he was located without his consent, and in spite of his earnest remonstrance. He urged that the proceeding was unjust and illegal. His opinion was proved to be correct, as his appeal to the General Conference was sustained, and he was restored to his position, having, in the conduct of his appeal, made reputation for himself as a constitutional jurist and pleader. In 1863, 1864, 1865, and 1866, he was Presiding Elder of the Granville District. In 1865 he was elected a delegate to the General Conference, and occupied his seat in that body at the session held in New Orleans in the spring of 1866. At the time of his death he was supernumerary on the Lake Lee and Leota Circuit. Brother MacLennan was a man of strong character, and of a persistent determination to do what he thought right, though all the world should oppose him. As a natural consequence, such traits of character often brought him in contact with fierce opposition and sore trials, thus saddening much of the latter part of his life. It is confidently believed by those who knew him best, that his intentions were always good. He was a simple-hearted Christian, dearly loved the Church of his choice, and literally laid his life a "living sacrifice upon her altars." His death, which occurred in Greenville, Mississippi, in the latter part of the winter of 1870, was peaceful and triumphant. His last moments were soothed by the ministrations of kind brethren and faithful friends.

WILLIAM WINANS DRAKE, son of the late Rev. B. M. Drake, D.D., of the Mississippi Conference, was born at Magnolia Spring, Jefferson county, Mississippi, November 12, 1843. There was nothing singular in his boyhood. He was only truthful, obedient, and affectionate. Home life made him familiar with religious usages, and his sunny childhood grew brighter still as he learned to see God in the ever-patient mother who kept at home, and that godly father who went in and out before him a man of one work. Winans joined the Church in 1854. He was a mere child, but he was not too young to take God for his portion. His early education was acquired at a private school near his father's. He was a member of the senior class in Centenary College, at Jackson, Louisiana, in 1861, when the war suspended the exercises of that institution. The Board of Trustees thought him entitled to his degrees, and conferred on him that of Bachelor, and then, in due course, that of Master of Arts. His college life was one of great diligence and purity. He seemed to set God always before him, not to frown him back from sport or cast a shadow over the path he was pursuing, but to guide him into all truth, and to make his cup of gladness to run over. Cheerful, cordial, and unselfish, he was fitted for companionship and usefulness. Although he felt called to the ministry, he believed that that work could be usefully pursued in the

army, and he accordingly spent about a year in that service. In 1862 he was admitted into the Mississippi Conference, and was sent to Port Gibson. In 1863 work was assigned him with reference to his position as a teacher in Port Gibson Female Academy. In 1865 he was sent to Greenville District, where he labored and was loved, as pastor and then as Presiding Elder, until the 27th of September, 1870, when he "ceased at once to work and live." The war had made that garden a desolation; the villages had been burned, and the people scattered. The Church sent him to rebuild and restore, and God honored his labors with great success. On December 11, 1866, he was married to Miss Alice, daughter of Joseph Gordon, of Waterproof, Louisiana. God had joined them together. Her heart was as his, and now that she and her fatherless children tread in sorrow the path of life, shall not the Church prove a refuge? Brother Drake brought a rare combination of balanced virtues into his work. His preaching was with power, and yet the meek messenger only talked of the Saviour. He was ever moving onward, and yet his speed gave you no surprise. To him there seemed no rest or need of rest, and yet he ceased not, day nor night, to give himself to his work. He walked with God, and was not afraid to withstand a brother to the face who deserved to be blamed, and yet he was gentle, and patient, and forgiving. His was the work of the ministry, and he laid both the cross and the crown at his Master's feet. No man has more endeared himself to the people, and to none will these words be more truthfully applied, "Servant of God, well done!"

BURWELL B. WHITTINGTON was born in Bullock county, Georgia, August 1, 1819, and died in Hinds county, Mississippi, November, 1870. Our information concerning him has been, in part, furnished by brief notes taken (as she says) from "an account kept since my earliest recollection," by a surviving daughter. This may properly be styled a memoir, written by the daughter of an honored minister of Christ. In this point of view, it is alike monumental to the wholesome influence of his life upon his own household, and creditable to the filial sentiment of a child who, from early youth, felt so lively an interest in the labors and sacrifices of her father in his holy vocation. She says: "My father was born in Bullock county, Georgia, on the 1st of August, 1819, and came with his parents to Mississippi when quite young. In his nineteenth or twentieth year he professed conversion, and joined the M. E. Church, and soon afterward was licensed to preach. In the winter of 1843 he joined the Alabama Conference. On the 4th day of December of the following year he was married to my mother, then Miss Eliza C. Evans, of Washington county, Alabama. He located in 1849, and in the fall of 1851 was readmitted into the Mississippi Conference, and appointed to the Paulding Circuit." Brother Whittington's subsequent appointments, including his transfer for one year to the Wachita Conference, are to be found in the General Min-

utes, and need not be repeated here. He filled successively the office of circuit preacher and Presiding Elder with acceptability up to the Conference of 1869, when he was forced, by failing health, to take a superannuated relation. He spent most of the year 1870 on the seaboard, at Pascagoula, Biloxi, Handsboro, etc., by which means his health was measurably improved. As the Conference session approached, he came to the neighborhood of Crystal Springs, Mississippi, where the Conference was to convene, and where he had many friends, intending to spend a few weeks with a married daughter and other friends. Although he had by no means regained his health, still he spoke of taking an appointment, and bought a horse for the purpose. This preparation for life and work proved the means of his death. He was thrown from his horse before he had rode him one mile, and received an injury which hastened his death. After lingering some two or three weeks, Brother Whittington died at the house of his son-in-law, Mr. Irwin, of Hinds county, Mississippi. His daughter says, appropriately: "As he was known to many of our ministers for a number of years, it is unnecessary to say any thing of his character as a Christian minister. But to his children alone are known his many virtues, and the bright and noble example of his piety. Although he suffered greatly in his last moments, and at times could not speak audibly, yet his theme was assurance of preparation for death, and he spoke confidently of soon meeting our dear mother who had preceded him to heaven nearly two years before. He closed his eyes and died without a struggle."

THE following brief memoir of JOHN H. MASSEY will appear quite out of its natural place as to time; but this is unavoidable. Brother Massey was a superannuated member of the Mississippi Conference, and in 1862, in the midst of the war, disappeared from us, and had been dead five years before we could ascertain the fact and time of his death. He was the son of pious parents, and was born in Greenville District, South Carolina, October 25, 1801. As a result of his correct religious training, he was converted in the fourteenth year of his age, and became a cheerful and happy Christian. When he attained to manhood, he sensibly felt and acknowledged it his duty to preach the gospel. He was licensed to preach in 1823, and in January, 1824, he was admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference, in a class of twelve, including the good and great Stephen Olin. From this period he traveled and labored zealously, acceptably, and successfully, on a variety of circuits and missions, until 1837, except two years, in which he sustained a local relation. From 1837 to 1855 he was again local, but continued to preach, as he was able, in various parts of South Carolina and Florida. In 1855 he came to Mississippi, and in the fall of that year was readmitted into the Mississippi Conference, and continued to labor efficiently and usefully until the latter part of 1860, when, on account of his advanced age and failing health, he was placed on the superannuated list. In 1862 he left Mississippi,

and intended to settle for life near Hamburg, Louisiana, but, the Federal army coming into his vicinity, he retired into Texas, and while passing through Newton county on a business trip, he was taken quite ill at the house of a venerable Christian man by the name of William McMahon, and, after lingering about nine days, passed away in great peace and in full assurance of a happy future, only regretting that he could not see his beloved wife and three children to give them his parting blessing, and exhort them to meet him in heaven. He died April 5, 1864. Brother Massey was a man of holiness, and both lived and preached holiness of heart and life. His Christian and ministerial example was worthy of our imitation. Five months after his death, Sister Massey also passed away from earth to join her husband in the spirit-land.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Woodville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Woodville Station.....	50	1	2
Percy's Creek.....	99	.....	.....
St. Helena.....	83	10	.....
Wilkinson.....	372	.....	1
Buffalo.....	132	.....	1
Liberty.....	133	.....	1
Meadville.....	110	.....	.....
Homochitto Mission.....	25	.....	.....
Amite.....	143	2	.....
	1147	13	5

Vicksburg District.

Vicksburg Station.....	168	.....	1
North Warren.....	230	.....	4
South Warren.....	60	.....	1
Cayuga.....	251	.....	1
Rocky Springs.....	100	.....	1
Port Gibson Station.....	103	.....	.....
Grand Gulf and Rodney (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Fayette.....	323	.....	6
Natchez.....	157	.....	2
Kingston.....	13	.....	.....
	1405	.....	16

Yazoo District.

Yazoo City Station.....	102	.....	1
Yazoo Circuit.....	317	.....	2
Mount Olivet.....	222	.....	2
Lower Deer Creek.....	24	.....	1
Clover Hill.....	35	.....	.....
Carthage.....	100	.....	1
	800	.....	7

Brandon District.

Brandon Station.....	87	.....	.....
Brandon Circuit.....	240	.....	3
Hillsboro.....	282	.....	4
Trenton.....	261	.....	3
Walnut Grove.....	469	8	10

Brandon District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Forest.....	120	.....	.....
Sylvarena.....	278	.....	1
Paulding.....	356	.....	3
Garlandville.....	182	.....	2
Decatur.....	69	.....	.....
Philadelphia.....	232	40	1
	2576	48	27

Mount Carmel District.

Mount Carmel Circuit.....	352	150	1
Rankin.....	432	5	6
Columbia Mission.....	272	3	1
Gainsville.....	114	1	.....
Handsboro.....	90	.....	5
Black Creek (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Ocoha.....	125	.....	4
	1385	159	17

Brookhaven District.

Brookhaven Station.....	73	.....	.....
Bogue Chitto.....	170	.....	4
Magnolia.....	240	.....	2
Summit.....	132	.....	1
Scotland.....	138	.....	1
Brandywine.....	308	.....	1
Crystal Springs and Hazelhurst.....	290	.....	.....
Pleasant Valley and Rehoboth.....	169	.....	1
Burtonton Circuit.....	117	.....	1
Georgetown.....	184	.....	2
Wesson and Beauregard.....	183	.....	.....
Martinsville.....	313	.....	6
	2267	.....	19

Clinton District.

Clinton Station.....	88	.....	1
East Feliciana.....	264	.....	1
East Baton Rouge.....	161	.....	.....
Livingston Mission.....	46	.....	1
Jackson, Louisiana.....	230	.....	1
Greensburg and Days.....	75	.....	.....
Arcola.....	85	.....	.....
Tangipahoa (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Covington Mission.....	100	.....	.....
Pontchatoula.....	96	.....	1
	1145	.....	5

Jackson District.

Jackson Circuit.....	208	.....	2
Canton Station.....	149	1	1
Sharon.....	147	38	.....
Camden.....	100	.....	.....
Sulphur Springs.....	132	.....	4
Forest Grove.....	90	200	5
Madison.....	58	(	.....
Brownsville.....	210	.....	.....
Raymond.....	166	.....	3
Jackson Station.....	119	.....	1
	1879	239	16

Meridian District.

Meridian Station.....	205	.....	3
Pierce's Springs.....	169	1	1
Shubuta and Clark.....	1000	.....	11
Enterprise Station.....	93	.....	1
Enterprise Circuit.....	348	.....	3
East Pascagoula.....	190	30	.....
West Pascagoula.....	238	30	3
Cuba.....	140	.....	4
Marion.....	400	.....	6
De Kalb.....	498	.....	2
	3281	61	34

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Woodville District.....	1147	13	5
Vicksburg ".....	1405	.....	16
Yazoo ".....	800	.....	7
Brandon ".....	2576	48	27
Mount Carmel ".....	1385	159	17
Brookhaven ".....	2267	.....	19
Clinton ".....	1145	.....	5
Jackson ".....	1379	239	16
Meridian ".....	3281	61	34
Total this year.....	15,385	520	146
Total last year.....	15,922	1004	153
Decrease.....	537	484	7

[The colored members were generally reported to the Colored Mississippi Conference. The changes in the boundaries account for the apparent decrease.]

Ques 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
892.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1064.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
149.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
822.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
5942.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
No report.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2802 60
Applied as follows:

Bishop Doggett, traveling expenses, \$ 15 00
Bishop Doggett's salary, 929 50
Bishop Keener, 63 00
Remitted to Dr. Redford, 51 00
Superannuated, widows, and orphans, 1744 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$1116 60.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Meridian, Miss.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WOODVILLE DISTRICT.

James L. Forsyth, P. E.

Woodville Station, Corydon Chamberlin.
Wilkinson Circuit, James H. Shelton.
Liberty, Erastus R. Strickland.
Buffalo, Philip S. Petty.
Bayou Sara, Robert D. Norsworthy.
Jackson and Plains, James A. Godfrey.

East Feliciana, William E. Ballard.
Clinton Station, William G. Millsaps.
Baton Rouge, Epaphroditus W. Simmons.
Meadville, Columbus W. Campbell.

SUMMIT DISTRICT.

Joseph Nicholson, P. E.

Summit Circuit, George Bright.
Bogue Chitto, John J. Clark.
Holmesville, John W. Sandell.
St. Helena, John D. Willis.
Greensburg, David P. Bradford.
Arcola, Thomas Price.
Covington, Hiram R. Singleton.
Franklinton, Henry P. Lewis.
Farmington, David A. Givens.
Tangipahoa, Seaborn R. Hyde.
South-western Bible Society, John W. Harmon, Agent.

SEA-SHORE DISTRICT.

Walter W. Hurst, P. E.

Mount Carmel Circuit, Newton B. Young.
Rankin, John M. Liverman.
Columbia Mission, Henry T. Jones.
Gainsville, to be supplied (by J. W. Williams).
Handsboro, William H. Leith.
White Plains Mission, David Merchant.
Enon, James G. Parker.
Pascagoula and Bay Shore, Ulysses B. Phillips.
West Pascagoula, to be supplied (by Irvin Roberts).
Green, to be supplied (by J. M. Winbush).

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

George F. Thompson, P. E.

Brookhaven Station, Harvey F. Johnson.
Scotland, Horace M. Booth, J. B. Bowen, Sup.
Brandywine, Robert A. Sibley.
Crystal Springs Station, Wm. E. M. Linfield,
Jarrott W. McNeil, Sup.
Hazelhurst, Bascom T. Pearson, Leonidas R. Redding, Sup.
Pleasant Valley and Rehoboth, Ephraim A. Flowers.
Burtontown, William Wadsworth.
Georgetown, Robert B. Downer.
Wesson and Beauregard, Edwin H. Mounger.
Martinsville, Franklin W. Sharbrough.
Jackson Circuit, Andrew Day.
Whitworth Female College, H. F. Johnson, President.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

Henderson H. Montgomery, P. E.

Jackson Station, Charles G. Andrews.
Madison, Andrew B. Stewart.
Canton Station, Whitfield Harrington, James K. Hamblen, Sup.
Sharon, William L. C. Hunnicutt.
Sulphur Springs, to be supplied (by J. S. Collins), John W. Adams, Sup.
Carthage, James M. Weems.
Camden, John W. Hall.

Yazoo City, Julius T. Curtiss.
 Yazoo Circuit, Thomas W. Flowers.
 Mount Olivet, Alexander M. Campbell.
 Brownsville, John Lusk.
 Raymond, to be supplied (by W. C. Black).
 Sharon Female College, W. L. C. Hunnicutt,
 President.
 Madison College, J. M. Pugh, President.
 Missionary to China, James W. Lambuth.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

John A. B. Jones, P. E.

Vicksburg Station, Joshua T. Heard.
 North Warren, Parmenas Howard.
 South Warren, Francis M. Featherston.
 Cayuga, Ira B. Robertson.
 Rocky Springs, Archibald B. Nicholson.
 Port Gibson Station, Charles B. Galloway, Jno.
 G. Jones, Sup.
 Fayette, William B. Lewis.
 Natchez Station, William H. Watkins.
 Kingston, to be supplied (by T. W. Brown).
 Lower Deer Creek, Henry B. Bowen.
 Clover Hill, Peter W. Cram.
 Milldale and Cane Ridge, James S. Harris.
 Port Gibson Collegiate Academy, Benj. Jones,
 President.

BRANDON DISTRICT.

Francis M. Williams, P. E.

Brandon Circuit, George W. Chatfield, George
 Jackson.
 Fannin, David W. Dillehay.

Forest, William Finn.
 Trenton, Levi P. Meador.
 Scotland Chapel Circuit, Henry J. Harris.
 Sylwarena, Lyman Carley.
 Garlandsville, George W. Boyles.
 Decatur Mission, Thomas Y. Armstrong.
 Morton, Louis Kendall.
 Philadelphia, Jacob H. Holland.
 Lake, John A. Vance.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

William D. Hines, P. E.

Meridian Station, John A. Ellis.
 { Marion, John C. Brogan.
 { Toomsaba Mission, to be supplied (by Geo.
 { Bancroft).
 De Kalb, Daniel G. W. Ellis.
 Spring Hill, James M. Gann.
 { Enterprise Station, John D. Hays.
 { Enterprise Mission, William Spillman.
 Enterprise Circuit, Alexander Trotter.
 Clarke, William J. Seale.
 Wayne, James Shanks.
 Paulding, Geo. M. Gillmore, R. J. Jones, Sup.
 Sunday-school Agent and Secretary, R. Abbey.
 W. F. Glenn, transferred to North Georgia
 Conference.
 J. C. C. Black, transferred to West Texas Con-
 ference.
 Robert A. Davis, transferred to Louisiana
 Conference.
 Josiah Barker, A. J. Coleman, transferred to
 Alabama Conference.

14.—NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WATER VALLEY, MISS., Nov. 30-Dec. 6, 1870.

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; JOHN BARCROFT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. P. A. Marmon, Thomas W. Dye,
 John McElhannon, Henry E. Smith, E. H.
 Moon, Benj. F. Morris, A. W. Langley, A. J.
 Foster, L. D. Worsham, John M. Dunn, Chrisen-
 bery L. Bates, Wm. A. Moore, J. M. Boon, S. C.
 Stone. 14.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Irl R. Hicks, Benj. H. Bounds, Joseph Joyner
 Brooks, Samuel W. Miller, Henry C. Morehead,
 T. A. S. Adams, James D. Bush. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Leonidas M. Nichol, James M. Beard. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
 tion?

Joshua K. Morris, Daniel L. Cogdell, John R.
 Peeples, Jacob D. Murff, Charles B. Galloway. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John Little, W. L. Bonner. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from
 other Conferences?

A. B. Fly, S. R. Brewer, James L. Futrell, B.
 B. Risenhoover, H. R. Caldwell, G. W. Bach-
 man, T. L. Duke, Thomas Cameron. 8.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Thomas P. Ramsey, Pinckney A. Johnson. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected
 deacons?

Irl R. Hicks, Benj. H. Bounds, James D. Bush,
 Joshua K. Morris, Jacob D. Murff. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Irl R. Hicks, Benj. H. Bounds James D. Bush, Joshua K. Morris, Jacob D. Murff. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Peter M. Marmon, Joseph T. Barton, John McElhannon, David Justice, John M. Wells, David O. Hughes. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Peter M. Marmon, Joseph T. Barton, John M. Wells, David O. Hughes. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Daniel L. Cogdell, John R. Peeples, Thomas G. Freeman, Theodore F. Brewer, James L. Futrell. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

D. L. Cogdell, J. R. Peeples, T. G. Freeman, T. F. Brewer, J. L. Futrell. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

W. B. Beck, A. W. Murff, W. H. Holmes. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

A. W. Murff, W. H. Holmes. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

J. L. Yancey, J. F. Randall, J. W. Peavy, Tilmon Page, J. F. Armstrong. 5.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Joseph Johnson, W. E. Ellis, M. L. Martin, J. B. Price, Rufus Yancey, F. A. Owen, Thomas W. Castles, A. A. Houston, J. M. Hampton. 9.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

W. C. Green, C. B. Harris, J. I. E. Byrd, John Young, William S. Jones, Robert Martin, E. J. Williams, W. W. Pearson, W. L. Bonner, S. B. Carson. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Michael J. Blackwell, Richard Henry Herbert, Elisha Callaway. 3.

MICHAEL JOSEPH BLACKWELL was born on Winyaw Bay, Georgetown District, S. C., Aug. 30, 1800. He was converted to God under the ministry of the Rev. Samuel Dunwody, by whom he was baptized and received into the Church in June, 1826. Not long after his conversion, he felt himself called of God to the work of the ministry, which call he resisted, according to his own statement, for twelve years, all which time he represents himself as having much soul-trouble and unrest, and but little if any of the joys of salvation. Through an unmistakably visible providence, and the powerful leadings of the Holy Ghost, he gave himself up to the work. He was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Marshall Circuit, the Rev. Malcolm McPherson presiding, March 7, 1840. November, 1841, he was admitted on trial in the Memphis Conference, and appointed to Her-

nando Circuit. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Soule, Nov. 5, 1843, and elder, by Bishop Andrew, Nov. 26, 1846. His successive appointments were: 1842-43, Hernando Circuit; 1844-45, Holly Springs Circuit; 1846, Holly Springs Station; 1847, Salem Circuit; 1848, Wesley Chapel, Memphis, Tenn.; 1849, Belmont Circuit; 1850, Holly Springs Circuit; 1851, Chulahoma Circuit; 1852, Hernando Circuit; 1853-54, Grenada District; 1855-56, Holly Springs District; 1857, Ripley District; 1858, '59, '60, '61, Aberdeen District; 1862, '63, '64, '65, supernumerary; 1866, Aberdeen District; 1867, supernumerary; and at the Conference held in Paducah, November, 1867, he was superannuated, which relation, on account of great and increasing affliction, he justly sustained until his death, which occurred at half-past two o'clock in the morning, Dec. 22, 1869, at his residence in Marshall county, Miss. This man of God stood in the front rank of our Israel. In our Annual Conference sessions he was regarded as one of the wisest of our counselors. He presided ably and satisfactorily at the session held in Grenada, in 1862. He was repeatedly elected a delegate to the General Conference. Although he never sought polemic strife, yet, when the cause of truth demanded, he proved to be a ready and able debater, putting to silence the gainsayers of our holy religion. His powers of analysis were very great, and his knowledge and learning extensive. In the delivery of his sermons, his style was pure, beautiful, dignified, and powerful, enrapturing as well as instructing his hearers. Few men had a deeper insight into the word of God. He was truly a master workman, bringing out of God's treasury things new and old, rightly dividing his word, and giving to each his portion in due season. His discourses always breathed the spirit of the great Teacher. He was truly an ambassador for Christ, and executed his great commission in the spirit of Christ, making full proof of his ministry in every place and on all occasions. No man was ever more diligent. When laboring above his physical strength, which he often did, his brethren would persuade him to desist, that his valuable life might be longer spared to the Church, he would answer that he had resisted the call of God in his early manhood so long, that his soul always felt straitened for time in which to do his Master's work. In the home circle, and in his more private intercourse with the people, his life was beautiful and attractive. He was eminently faithful in the pastoral office. His conversation was in heaven, whence he ever seemed to be looking for the glorious appearing of the Lord Jesus. He was the subject of severe and most painful bodily affliction for several months preceding his death. He bore his sufferings with marked patience and resignation. His room seemed rather the vestibule of heaven than the chamber of death. His mind seemed to lose sight of all his sufferings, and to be wholly taken up with his reward, which, by faith, was in plainest view. He often expressed himself to his family, his physician, and attending friends,

that his state of preparation for death was thorough. His humility, his patience, his faith, was strong to the last moment of life. His mind retained its clearness and vigor to the very last, and notes of triumph and victory dwelt upon his tongue, and were heard by his brethren and attendants above the roar of death's river. Thus, in life and in death, this great and good man walked with God, and he is not, for God has taken him.

RICHARD HENRY HERBERT was born in South Carolina in 1806, and, in his boyhood, came to Wilkinson county, Miss., where he was awakened and converted when about eighteen years old. His conversion occurred in private, and though it had all the characteristics of an evangelical change from nature to grace, for several months he was troubled with doubts as to its genuineness. He, however, continued to live a very prayerful life, and, after a few months, obtained a settled assurance that he was a child of God by adoption. He soon became greatly exercised on the subject of being divinely called to preach the gospel, and, after being duly examined by the Rev. William Winans in regard to his call, he was instructed by that great and good man, who was then Presiding Elder on the Mississippi District, to come early in the summer of 1825, and unite with J. G. Jones, who was then junior preacher on Amite Circuit, and labor in conjunction with him until the ensuing Conference in December. He found Brother Herbert, who still had the appearance of early youth, to be in possession of a good English education, with some knowledge of the classics. He was deeply pious, prayed much in secret, read and studied the Holy Scriptures earnestly, and strove to discharge every duty pertaining to his holy vocation as laid down in the Discipline. He was quite prone, however, to extremes in his spiritual exercises. At times he would become greatly depressed, and write bitter complaints against himself; at other times he triumphed over all his enemies, and was filled with ecstatic joy. In the fall of 1825, while engaged in prayer, with many others, at a late hour in the night, in the altar on Bullock's Camp-ground, in Pike county, for entire consecration to God, he obtained an overwhelming blessing, and for some time rejoiced in the fullness of perfect love. In December, 1825, he was admitted on trial in the Mississippi Conference, and of the forty-five years of his ministry, he labored as a traveling preacher in connection with the Mississippi and Alabama Conferences about fourteen years; the other years he sustained an acceptable and useful local relation, often laboring under the direction of a Presiding Elder. After graduating in due course to Elder's orders, he married, and at the end of a few years he found himself at the head of a rapidly-increasing family, which required him to devote much of his time to secular business, in order to provide for the rearing and education of his children. When not actively engaged in the itinerancy, he generally engaged in teaching, as the next best means of doing good. He was a thorough

Methodist Episcopalian, from a full persuasion, after an elaborate examination, that our doctrines and Church-polity accord with the Holy Scriptures, and the example of the Church in her purest and most prosperous days, and through his long ministerial career, whenever or wherever found, he was loyal to the Church of his early love. After being local for some years, he was readmitted into the Mississippi Conference in November, 1869, and appointed to Bolivar Circuit, where he labored acceptably and usefully until the 9th of October, 1870, on which day he died, after three days' severe illness. He gave assurances of sweet peace and holy triumph in the final struggle, and repeated most touchingly the beautiful hymn commencing, "Jesus, Lover of my soul." After the long and perilous conflict of life, he rests in peace and hope. We shall soon meet him under brighter skies.

ELISHA CALLAWAY died at the residence of his son-in-law, Judge J. J. Beauchamp, in Macon, Noxubee county, Miss., June 21, 1870. This man of God was born in the State of Delaware, January 8, 1792, and had reached the seventy-ninth year of an eventful and laborious pilgrimage. Early in life our sainted Father Callaway moved to Hancock county, Ga., and was received into the traveling connection in January, 1818. In the autumn of the year 1834 he was transferred from what was then the South Carolina to the Alabama Conference, and the following year traveled the Noxubee Circuit. During the three years immediately following, he labored as Presiding Elder in the Mobile District, which then embraced a portion of country two hundred and fifty miles in length. In the year 1840 he was elected a delegate to the General Conference, which met in the city of Baltimore; and in 1845 he was selected by his brethren as a suitable representative to the memorable Convention which met in Louisville, Ky., to organize into a separate ecclesiastical body the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was again elected and sent as a delegate to the General Conferences of 1846 and 1850—the former holding its session in the city of Petersburg, Va., and the latter in St. Louis, Mo. For the space of fifty-two years our sainted father was connected with the itinerant ministry of the Methodist Church, thirty-five of which were spent within the bounds of the Mobile and Alabama Conferences. In every field of labor, whether as circuit preacher, in charge of mission or District, or sitting among the chief counselors of the Church, the ministerial and official record of our venerated father not only stands without the slightest blemish, but it is singularly marked by a noble and uncompromising devotion to the great principles of faithfulness, equity, and truth. Though his circuits and Districts extended over a large area of territory, yet the congregations were never disappointed because of the voluntary absence of the preacher; nor were they ever kept waiting, if it was possible for him to reach the post of duty at the appointed time. Indeed, such was his uniform

devotion to the dictates of punctuality and faithfulness, that he would have preferred crossing an intervening and swollen stream, by doubtful fording or downright swimming, than to "miss an appointment." Duty to God and the Church was his watchword, and fidelity in its performance his spirit and practice. About the year 1828, when laboring on some circuit near Columbia, S. C., Bishop Andrew was his Presiding Elder; and Bishop Wightman, we are informed, had the good fortune of spending either his first or second year of his ministerial life as "junior preacher" with this faithful prophet of God. Both these esteemed and honored servants of the Church, who yet survive their former "yoke-fellow," are, we doubt not, ready to attest the fidelity and purity of his life, and have the name of Elisha Callaway sweetly enbalmcd in their memories. As a preacher, he was remarkable for his earnestness and boldness. While preaching, the priceless value of a soul, and its awful exposure to the perils of eternal ruin, seemed ever upon his mind and heart, and in the offer of Christ, as a present sufficient Saviour to the imperiled soul, every word and movement seemed to say, "We pray you, in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God." His prayers were also not unfrequently marked by a spirit of glowing fervor and earnestness, at times seeming to grasp the very arm of Omnipotence itself, and reminding one of Jacob at Peniel, wrestling with the angel, and exclaiming: "I will not let thee go, except thou bless me." Such was his boldness as a preacher, that it may truly be said of him that he did not fear the face of man, but promptly denounced sin wherever found, so that many a guilty sinner and time-serving professor have often trembled and writhed under the power of his righteous reproofs. He sincerely and ardently loved Methodism, and adhered with much tenacity and love to all her peculiar institutions for progress and improvement in religious life. In social life he was ordinarily a man of few words, but no undue severity of temperament ever marked or marred his social character. The friends of Jesus always found a hearty welcome into his presence, and little children felt free and happy when about his knees. The smile of cheerfulness which often shone upon his face attested that the light of a resigned and hopeful spirit lived within. Indeed, the beautiful luster of his godly life was most visible amid the quiet and sacred surroundings of his home, so that he gave light unto all that were in the house. For several years previous to his death he was much hindered from going abroad among the Churches by a disease which at times completely prostrated him, and was the cause of severe pain and suffering. But amid it all he evinced a spirit of complete resignation to the divine will, and acquiesced fully in the dealings of Providence with him, thus affording to all a most beautiful and striking instance of calm and patient suffering. Though possessing a temperament which naturally led him to prefer to engage in scenes of activity and vigorous toil for the Master; yet through all the years of his

superannuation and comparative retirement from the active campaign, "the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit" ever adorned him. Such, indeed, were the brightness and beauty of his old age, that the verdure and fragrance of the spring-time linger upon his name; and so cloudless was the evening of his life, that a halo of golden light will long mark the sun-setting of his mortal day. Thus he bids us follow where he has gone. His pastor, Rev. E. V. Levert, writes thus concerning his last illness: "I have never seen such an example of patience. Generally calm, sometimes very joyful, some few times assailed by the adversary, and a momentary gloom beclouded his spiritual vision; but on directing his attention to a few appropriate promises, his confidence was reestablished. On Sunday last, while sitting by his bedside, he said he felt no appetite. On my remarking that he would soon be where he could obtain such food as he relished; that he was almost through the wilderness, and would soon feast upon the grapes of Canaan: 'O,' said he, 'that is joyful news!'"

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Memphis District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marshall.....	231	.....	.....
Byhalia and New Salem Station.....	267	.....	.....
Byhalia Circuit.....	202	.....	1
Olive Branch.....	200	1	2
	900	1	3

Holly Springs District.

Holly Springs Station.....	143	1
Holly Springs Circuit.....	232	.....	.....
Early Grove.....	134	.....	.....
Lamar.....	173	.....	2
Salem.....	196	.....	.....
Tippah Mission.....	36	.....	.....
Ripley.....	438	.....	4
Hickory Flat.....	222	.....	4
Cornersville.....	264	.....	3
La Fayette Springs.....	300	.....	5
Oxford Circuit.....	506	5	5
	2644	5	24

Hernando District.

Hernando Station.....	70	2
Hernando Circuit.....	225	.....	3
Harmony.....	350	.....	1
Sardis.....	231	.....	.....
Senatobia.....	214	.....	.....
Cockrum.....	487	.....	.....
Clulahoma.....	330	.....	2
Tyro.....	211	.....	.....
	2118	.....	8

Iuka District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Iuka Station.....	105	.....	2
Iuka Circuit.....	344	.....	1
Burnsville.....	220	.....	5
Corinth Station.....	162	.....	1
Corinth Circuit.....	235	.....	2
Rienzi and Boonville Station.....	162	.....	1
Kossuth.....	702	.....	6
Marietta.....	510	.....	6
Jonesboro.....	321	.....	1
	2761	.....	25

Aberdeen District.

Aberdeen Station.....	132	1
West Point.....	101	.....	3
Vinton.....	134	2	1
Okolona and Verona.....	225	.....	1
Okolona Circuit.....	416	.....	6
Richmond.....	300	.....	12
Fulton.....	254	.....	5
Baldwyn.....	248	.....	7
Saltillo.....	277	.....	4
Lee.....	239	.....	.....
Pontotoc Station.....	36	.....	1
Pontotoc Circuit.....	407	.....	1
Houston.....	422	.....	5
Chickasaw.....	466	.....	3
	3707	2	50

Water Valley District.

Water Valley Station.....	228	3
Water Valley Circuit.....	485	.....	3
Panola.....	552	.....	4
Coffeeville.....	304	.....	2
Charleston.....	183	.....	2
Grenada Station.....	94	.....	.....
Grenada Circuit.....	150	.....	1
Calhoun.....	453	.....	12
Oxford Station.....	60	.....	1
	2509	.....	28

Sunflower District.

Concordia.....	130	.....	.....
Friar's Point Station.....	54	.....	.....
Magnolia and Austin.....	46	.....	.....
	230	.....	.....

Yazoo District.

Black Hawk.....	391	.....	2
Durant.....	200	.....	1
Richland.....	130	.....	1
Lexington.....	120	1	2
Carrollton.....	240	.....	3
Greenwood.....	89	.....	.....
	1170	1	9

Greenville District.

Greenville Station.....	40	.....	1
Deer Creek (Upper).....	40	.....	.....
Bolivar (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Lake Lee and Leota.....	10	.....	.....
	90	.....	1

Starkeville District.

Starkeville and Pierce Chapel.....	127	1
Whitfield.....	150	.....	1
Louisville.....	549	.....	9
Plattsburg Mission.....	215	.....	2

Starkeville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
French Camps.....	430	24	2
Line Creek.....	292	.....	1
Winona.....	426	25	6
Vaiden.....	342	.....	1
Kosciusko.....	460	.....	6
Belfontaine.....	276	.....	2
	3267	49	31

Macon District.

Macon Station.....	116
Summerville.....	100	.....	.....
Brooksville.....	194	.....	3
Trinity.....	72	.....	.....
Crawford.....	126	.....	2
Cooksville.....	27	.....	.....
	635	.....	5

Columbus District.

Columbus Station.....	260	1
Columbus Circuit.....	105	.....	.....
Yorkville.....	700	.....	.....
Caledonia (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Athens.....	331	.....	2
Bexar.....	290	.....	3
Yellow Creek.....	40	.....	.....
	1726	.....	6

Recapitulation.

Memphis District.....	900	1	3
Holly Springs ".....	2644	5	24
Hernando ".....	2118	.....	8
Iuka ".....	2761	.....	25
Aberdeen ".....	3707	2	50
Water Valley ".....	2509	.....	28
Sunflower ".....	230	.....	.....
Yazoo ".....	1170	1	9
Greenville ".....	90	.....	1
Starkeville ".....	3267	49	31
Macon ".....	635	.....	5
Columbus ".....	1726	.....	6
Total this year.....	21,757	58	190

[This Conference was formed out of other Conferences at the last session of the General Conference.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

746.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1491.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

200.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

1112.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

8,072.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$1757 25.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1757 25

Which has been applied for the benefit of the

superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$1486 05.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Columbus, Miss.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Philip Tuggle, P. E.

Holly Springs Station, Wm. Shepherd.
Holly Springs Circuit, Kinchen Adams.
Byhalia and New Salem Station, Miles H. Ford.
Byhalia Circuit, C. L. Bates.
Marshall, D. L. Cogdell.
Early Grove, Joseph J. Brooks.
Lamar, H. C. Morehead.
Salem, J. K. Morris.
Hickory Flat, P. M. Marmon.
Cornersville, T. G. Freeman.
Marshall Female Institute, John Little, Pres't.

HERNANDO DISTRICT.

J. H. Brooks, P. E.

Hernando and Coldwater, J. F. Truslow.
Hernando Circuit, Abner P. Sage.
Wesley, Turner P. Holman.
Harmony, T. P. Ramsey.
Sardis and Shiloh, A. J. See.
Como and Fredonia, Irl R. Hicks.
Senatobia, Jesse W. Luter.
Cockrum, T. W. Dye.
Chulahoma, R. A. Neblett.
Tyro, S. W. Miller.

IUKA DISTRICT.

E. E. Hamilton, P. E.

Iuka Station, J. C. Lowe, Jos. Johnson, Sup.
Iuka Circuit, J. L. Futrell.
Corinth Station, J. W. Honnoll.
Corinth Circuit, to be supplied (by J. M. Wells).
Rienza and Booneville, John Barcroft, W. E. Ellis, Sup.
Kossuth, H. D. Howell.
Carolina, Samuel C. Stone, M. L. Martin, Sup.
Jonesboro, A. W. Langley.
Ripley, Ben. H. Bounds.
Iuka Female Institute, J. E. Douglass, President.

VERONA DISTRICT.

Joseph B. Stone, P. E.

{ Verona Station, T. C. Wier.
{ Macdonald, J. D. Bush.
Lee, M. M. Dunn.
Pontotoc, J. F. Markham.
New Albany, Henry E. Smith.
Baldwyn, E. Hayden Moon.
Saltillo, Benj. W. Stubbs.

Marietta, W. J. Reeves, Joseph B. Price, Sup.
Bay Springs Mission, John McElhannon.
Fulton, B. F. Morris.
Okolona Station, Thomas Cameron.
Richmond, J. T. M. Gregory.
Okolona Circuit, T. J. Lowry, A. J. Foster, R. W. Yancey, Sup.
Verona Female College, T. C. Wier, President;
T. L. Duke, Agent.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

T. Y. Ramsey, P. E.

Columbus Station, to be supplied.
Columbus City Mission, George Shaeffer.
Columbus Circuit, James A. Peebles.
Vinton, T. F. Brewer.
West Point Station, W. T. J. Sullivan.
Aberdeen Station, L. H. Davis.
Chickasaw, J. P. Dancer, John M. Dunn.
Line Creek, W. R. Rainey.
Athens, Nathanael Thomas.
Houston, to be supplied (by W. A. Langley).

MACON DISTRICT.

A. C. Allen, P. E.

Macon Station, J. D. Cameron (to be transferred).
Brooksville, O. P. Thomas (to be transferred).
Crawfordsville, R. G. Porter.
Macon Circuit, Leroy Massengale.
Starkeville Station, Isaac Ebbert.
Plattsburg, to be supplied (by A. W. Murff).
Starkeville Circuit, T. P. Crymes.
Louisville, James O. Woodward.

GRENADA DISTRICT.

Amos Kendall, P. E.

Grenada Station, J. W. Boswell.
Water Valley Station, W. S. Harrison.
Water Valley Circuit, B. B. Brown.
Panola, A. B. Fly.
Coffeeville, J. W. Poston.
Charleston, B. B. Risenhoover.
Calhoun, to be supplied (by W. B. Mitchell), J. M. Hampton, Sup.
Oxford Station, Samuel R. Brewer.
Oxford Circuit, W. A. Moore, A. A. Houston, Sup.
La Fayette Springs, H. H. Thacker.
Carrollton, G. D. Wade.
University of Mississippi, J. J. Wheat, Professor.

YAZOO DISTRICT.

W. P. Barton, P. E.

Black Hawk, Kenneth A. Jones.
Lexington, J. D. Newsom.
Durant, George W. Brown.
Richland, Ransom J. Jones.
{ Greenville, H. Williamson.
{ McNutt, to be supplied (by J. P. Briggs).
Winona, A. M. Barrington.
Vaiden, T. C. Parish.

{ Kosciusko and Bethel, P. A. Johnson.
 { Lobutch, A. R. Hines.
 Attala, G. W. Bachman.
 French Camps, James G. Carlisle.
 Bellefontaine, R. A. Roach, T. W. Castles, Sup.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. Knott, P. E.

Greenville and Lake Lee, T. A. S. Adams (to be transferred).
 Deer Creek, J. D. Murff.
 Indian Bayou, J. M. Boon.
 Bolivar, to be supplied (by W. S. Ashford).
 Beulah and Concordia, to be supplied (by D. O. Hughes).

Friar's Point and Clarksdale, J. R. Peeples.
 Magnolia, H. R. Caldwell.
 Austin and Trotter's Landing, L. D. Worsham,
 F. A. Owen, Sup.
 Cassida Mission, to be supplied.

F. S. Petway, Warner Moore, E. B. Plummer, transferred to Memphis Conference.

Elias Jackson, transferred to White River Conference.

F. C. Pearson, Hiniard Townsend, transferred to Little Rock Conference.

W. L. Kistler, transferred to Texas Conference.

H. Urquhart, E. V. Levert, W. Murrah, transferred to Alabama Conference.

C. B. Galloway, transferred to Mississippi Conference.

15.—MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BROWNSVILLE, TENN., November 16-22, 1870.

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; W. C. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. J. W. Atkinson, Junius P. Walker, Thomas F. Sanders, David J. Austin, James C. Hooks. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Banks M. Burrow, Hiram R. Caldwell, John S. Glasgow, T. R. Luter. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

J. G. H. Wilson. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Warner T. Bolling, Benjamin F. Blackmon, Jarrett S. Renshaw, Wm. A. Cook, Reuben R. Nelson, James L. Futrell, Samuel R. Brewer, William M. Patterson, James G. Pirtle. 9.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

James M. Spence, Anthony T. Scruggs. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

James A. Heard, from the Mobile Conference; William D. Stayton, from the Louisiana Conference. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

David R. S. Rosebrough, William R. Gardner, William A. Cook, Reuben R. Nelson, James L. Futrell, Wm. M. Patterson. 6.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Warner T. Bolling, Benjamin F. Blackmon, Jarrett S. Renshaw, Hiram R. Caldwell. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Warner T. Bolling, Benjamin F. Blackmon, Jarrett S. Renshaw, Hiram R. Caldwell. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

James A. Manly, jr., Francis M. Pattey, Wm. P. Lovejoy, Dempsey Bird, Thomas L. Wood, Eli Bynum, William D. Padgett, G. J. Wilkerson. 8.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

James A. Manly, jr., Wm. P. Lovejoy, Dempsey Bird, Thomas L. Wood, Wm. D. Padgett, Gabriel J. Wilkerson, T. L. McGill. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John E. Beck, George B. Baskerville, Edgar Orgain, Samuel A. Mason, S. R. Brewer. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

J. E. Beck, G. B. Baskerville, E. Orgain, S. A. Mason, S. R. Brewer. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Edward D. Matthews, Wm. A. Yancey, Asbury M. Smith, Jonathan Luton, William B. Veazy. 5.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Edward D. Matthews, Wm. A. Yancey, Asbury M. Smith, Jonathan Luton, Wm. B. Veazy, Wm. Christenberry. 6.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

N. A. D. Bryant, P. J. Kelsey, David C. Wells, Richmond S. Harris. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

John T. Baskerville, James Perry, Nathan Sullivan, George B. Allen, Manliff D. Robinson, J. C. Crews, Benjamin H. Bishop, Archibald L. Hunsaker, David M. K. Collins, Lorenzo Lea, Robert V. Taylor. 11.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

William D. Scott, J. M. Major, Elias Tidwell, Jeremiah Moss, Robert H. Burns, Clement C. Glover, Thomas J. Neely, James W. Mathis, Henry Bell, George W. D. Harris. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

James B. McCutchen, J. D. Slaughter, J. P. McCall, W. McMahon. 4.

[Michael J. Blackwell died within the bounds of the North Mississippi Conference. See the Minutes of that Conference.]

JAMES B. MCCUTCHEN, son of Rev. David C. and Priscilla McCutchen, was born near Murfreesboro, Tenn., August 26, 1829, and removed with his parents to Gibson county, Tenn., in 1835. He professed religion at home in the fourteenth year of his age, and attached himself to the Methodist Church. He was licensed to preach, and joined the Memphis Annual Conference, at Brownsville, in 1852. His first appointment was Camden Circuit, which he traveled in 1853; Mount Pinson, 1854; Tishomingo, 1855. On this latter appointment he was happily married to Miss Susan W. Barnett, who proved a helpmeet indeed to her husband, and preceded him to the better land. She died in 1867, leaving three children. In 1857 he was on Clinton Circuit; 1858 and 1859 he traveled the Paducah Circuit; 1860, Murray Circuit; 1861, Tishomingo Circuit. During this year he was elected chaplain of the 7th Kentucky regiment, C. S. A. In this service he continued till the close of the war, devoting his time and energies to the cause of religion among the soldiers. After the war Brother McCutchen resumed his place as a regular traveling preacher; 1866 and 1867 he was on the Cageville Circuit; Trenton Circuit, 1868; and again Cageville in 1869 and 1870, where he closed his labors and sufferings August 28, 1870. Brother McCutchen was a self-made man, having received but a limited education in his youth, but by industry and hard study he had acquired a very good English education, and no mean acquaintance with the Latin and Greek languages. His preaching was of a plain, practical character, exhibiting a large acquaintance with the sacred Scriptures, and with the standard literature of the Church. He was not of a polemical turn of mind, but when our doctrines were attacked, he always showed himself a fearless champion and a trustworthy debater. But few men in

our ranks are better prepared to defend our doctrines than he was, and yet he cherished a noble catholicity of sentiment and feeling that did credit at once to his head and heart. He was not merely acceptable, but popular and useful, making many friends wherever he went. He preached his last sermon on the evening of the first Saturday in August last, and went from the pulpit to his bed with a severe attack of flux. The best medical skill that the country afforded was promptly employed, and all that human skill and kindness could do was faithfully done, but in vain. For the first two weeks he talked but little—his disease being so painful as to require the almost constant use of opiates. He bore his sufferings, however, with great fortitude, telling his friends from the first that his sickness was unto death, and four or five days before his death he predicted that it would occur on the next Sunday morning. After he had arranged all his temporal business, he seemed fully to give himself up, soul and body, to the will of God; every thing like doubt and fear seemed to be gone. He embraced every opportunity to declare the goodness and mercy of God, frequently shouting aloud his praises. All through the week preceding his death he was in this happy frame of mind. The evening before he breathed his last, in the presence of several members of the Church, he reviewed his life and labors; he spoke of his conversion, his call to the ministry, his work as an ambassador of Christ, with the most fervent expressions of gratitude to God for the honor and the blessings conferred upon him, and deplored his shortcomings and the little improvement he had made, deeply regretting that he had not more fully consecrated himself to the service of God. Still he felt that he had not lived in vain, but had been the humble instrument in the hands of his Master in doing some good. Referring to the doctrines which he had preached to the people, he said, "I have preached the truth." At the time he uttered this language he was conscious that he was already walking under the clouds that overhang the last valley. He had preached them honestly and faithfully while living, and now, while dying, he reaffirms the truth of these precious doctrines; now, while engaged in life's last battle, and under the solemn consciousness that he would presently stand before his Maker, he still witnesses to the truth of the doctrines which he had preached. Blessed be the name of God for this dying testimony! Brother McCutchen had felt the truth and power of the gospel often, but he realized now, as he had never done before, the truth, the completeness, and the glory of the gospel. His mind remained unclouded to the last. During the whole of Saturday night he was in the most happy state of mind, singing and shouting the praises of God; not the least cloud in his moral sky; not a single doubt or fear. "My way," said he, "is as clear as a sunbeam;" and as he went lower and lower into the cold river, he sent back the soul-cheering cry, "All is well;" until nine o'clock Sabbath morning, August 28, 1870, he passed to his glorious reward.

J. D. SLAUGHTER was reared by pious parents, and early in life sought and found peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Not long after this he attached himself to the M. E. Church, South, at Clopton Camp-ground, in Tipton county, Tennessee, where he was converted. He continued a consistent member of that Church until he was licensed to preach in 1857, and recommended to the Memphis Annual Conference, into which he was received on probation, and continued to travel and preach until after he had graduated and been ordained an elder. Some ten years ago he asked and received a supernumerary relation, in which he continued to preach as health and circumstances would allow, until the meeting of our Conference at Holly Springs, twelve months ago. By this time he considered himself able to do the work of a traveling preacher, and was appointed by Bishop Kavanaugh to Embury Circuit, with Brother A. C. Smith. This was his last appointment. He entered upon his labors soon after Conference, and continued to fill his appointments regularly until some time in the month of May, 1870, when he was prostrated by the fatal disease which ended at once his labors and his sufferings. Brother Slaughter died of something like typhoid fever, after an illness of about two weeks, bearing his sufferings with great patience. He expressed his confidence in the blessed Redeemer frequently during his illness, and left to sorrowing loved ones the heart-comforting testimony that he was going home. His end was calm, peaceful and triumphant. He died May 30, 1870, and his remains were interred near the spot where he was converted, there to be watched by angels until God shall bid him rise. He was a true man, a good man, a servant of the Most High God. In all the relations of life, whether at home or abroad, in sickness and in health, he was the same meek, humble, devoted follower of Christ. Farewell, dear brother, we will soon meet you again. Brother Slaughter leaves a disconsolate widow and two children, who have special claims upon our sympathies, our prayers, and our providence.

JOSEPH PINCKNEY MCCALL was born in Mississippi; professed religion while young, and joined the Methodist Protestant Church. He soon felt it to be his duty to preach the gospel, and accordingly applied to and received license to preach from the Methodist Protestant Church. Soon after this the war came on, and Brother McCall went out as a volunteer in the Southern army, in which he continued until his health failed. During the war the Church to which he had belonged in Mississippi was scattered and broken up, and he had lost his papers. In this condition he was received into our Church, and in due course recommended to the Quarterly Conference, and licensed to preach. In the fall of 1866 he was recommended and received on trial in the Memphis Annual Conference. His first appointment was Wesley Circuit, with Rev. A. R. Wilson as preacher in charge. At the Conferences in 1867 and 1868, he was sent to Dresden Station. His last appointment was

Hickman Station, at which place he labored faithfully until he was called from labor to his great reward. He fell asleep calmly and triumphantly (at the house of a friend in Hickman, Ky.), after a severe illness, on the 8th of April, 1870. We learn that Brother McCall said but little during his sickness in regard to his future prospects, but what little he said was quite satisfactory. He leaves an untarnished record. All that we know, and all that we have heard, justifies the statement that a good and useful young man has fallen. He was universally popular with the people wherever he went, and was rapidly winning his way to place and distinction among us. One prominent trait in his character was his child-like simplicity, and his perfect willingness to be led and governed by older brethren. As a preacher, he was above ordinary for one of his age; having an active mind, and being of studious habits, he acquitted himself well in the pulpit, and had it pleased our heavenly Father to preserve his life, he would have been a flaming minister of the New Testament.

WILLIAM MCMAHON was born in Dumfries, Prince William county, Virginia, December 16, 1785 or 1786. In his early childhood his father removed to Hampshire county, Virginia, where he soon died, leaving a widow with six sons and four daughters. His mother was a deeply pious woman, and early impressed his heart with the truth and necessity of religion. Under the ministry of the Rev. James Ward he was fully awakened, and not long after, at a camp-meeting held near Old Town, in the State of Maryland, he was happily converted to God. He was appointed class-leader by the Rev. Peter Cartwright, and afterward licensed to exhort by the Rev. James Quinn. Brother McMahon was found to be so useful as an exhorter, that he was soon licensed to preach, and at the Conference of 1811 was received into the traveling connection. His first appointment was Silver Creek, in the Territory of Indiana. At the Conference of 1812 he was sent to Kentucky, where he remained four years, and traveled the Lexington, Shelby, Jefferson, and Fleming Circuits. During the few years which he passed in Kentucky, he was remarkably useful. Under his ministry thousands were awakened and converted to God. In 1816 he was transferred to the Mississippi Conference to take charge of a District. He started on his journey with Bishop Roberts, but was taken sick at Nashville, and there transferred by Bishop McKendree to the Tennessee Conference, and appointed to Nashville Circuit. Since that time he has been one of the master-spirits of the Tennessee and Memphis Conferences. His health having failed, he located, and removed from North Alabama to De Soto county, Mississippi, in December, 1835. Before the Indians were removed, or civil government organized, he was there preaching and building up the Church of God. He was readmitted into the traveling connection at the second session of the Memphis Conference, held in the fall of 1841, and appointed to the Holly Springs Dis-

trict, where he remained four years. He continued in the regular work, preaching with a power and success such as but few men ever had, until his health gave way. For several years before his death he sustained either a supernumerary or a superannuated relation to the Conference, still preaching and laboring, however, even beyond his strength. The war reduced Brother McMahon to the most abject poverty. It was very mortifying to him to be entirely dependent. He was sorely tried at this point, but God raised up friends for him wherever he went, and he gratefully realized that the "righteous are not forsaken." Soon after our last General Conference (which he had greatly desired to attend, and which he very greatly enjoyed) he went to Paducah, where his son-in-law, the Rev. J. N. Temple, resides. After his arrival into Kentucky there seemed to be no very marked change in his health, but he sank gradually under the weight of years and infirmities, until he finally fell asleep in Jesus. A merciful Providence preserved him to see his brethren at the General Conference, and then to go and die among his relatives. He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him. Many will rise up in the last day and call him blessed. Few men, during the present century, have exerted a greater influence upon Methodism in the South. For fifty years he held up the cross and preached the doctrines of Christianity in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi, leaving holy foot-prints, and winning votaries to Christ. He was, in many respects, a most remarkable man. No one ever had the reputation that he had in North Alabama and Mississippi. Those who have only known him for the last few years are not prepared to appreciate him, nor can we fully realize the great debt of gratitude we owe, under God, to him. It is, perhaps, enough for us to say that a great and good man has fallen. May his zeal, his piety, and his final victory encourage us in the great work to which we have been called, and may the mantle of this venerable prophet of God fall upon some one of us!

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Memphis District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Second Street Church.....	420	.....	1
Central Church.....	131	.....	2
Hernando Street Church.....	275	.....	1
Saffarans St. and Greenwood.....	80	.....	.....
Springdale and Bethel Station.....	116	.....	2
Raleigh Circuit.....	180	.....	1
Germantown Circuit.....	193	.....	4
Marshall Circuit (in part).....	87	.....	.....
	1482	.....	11

Somerville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Somerville Station.....	88	.....	.....
Newcastle Circuit.....	380	.....	3
Bolivar Station.....	114	.....	2
Middleburg.....	163	.....	2
Macon Circuit.....	450	.....	5
Embury Circuit.....	366	.....	5
Mount Zion Circuit.....	450	30	3
Covington Station.....	120	.....	.....
Tabernacle Circuit.....	259	.....	2
Wesley Circuit.....	179	.....	1
Dancyville Circuit.....	286	.....	2
	2855	30	25

Jackson District.

Jackson Station.....	311	2
East Jackson Station.....	69	.....	2
Jackson Circuit.....	650	.....	2
Humboldt and Milan Station.....	253	.....	2
Brownsville Station.....	260	.....	5
Denmark Circuit.....	518	.....	3
Big Spring Circuit.....	275	.....	1
Medon Circuit.....	513	.....	4
Rock Spring Circuit.....	639	.....	14
Purdy Circuit.....	530	.....	8
	4018	.....	43

Trenton District.

Trenton Station.....	134	5
Trenton Circuit.....	705	.....	8
Cageville Circuit.....	695	.....	6
Ripley and Mt. Pleasant Station.....	225	.....	2
Brownsville Circuit.....	700	.....	7
Dyersburg and Union Station.....	155	.....	1
Dyersburg Circuit.....	390	.....	6
Kenton Circuit.....	212	.....	3
Gibson Circuit.....	430	.....	4
	3646	.....	42

Dresden District.

Dresden Station.....	52
Dresden Circuit.....	696	.....	8
Hickman Station.....	70	.....	1
Hickman Circuit.....	550	.....	.....
Madrid Bend Circuit.....	216	.....	4
Troy Circuit.....	600	.....	4
Union City and Troy Station.....	237	.....	4
Richland Circuit.....	621	.....	4
Boydsville Circuit.....	447	.....	6
McKenzie Circuit.....	595	.....	7
Murray Circuit.....	650	.....	7
	4734	.....	45

Paducah District.

Paducah Station.....	240	1
Paducah Circuit.....	322	.....	4
Blandville Mission.....	111	.....	.....
Columbus Station.....	72	.....	.....
Clinton Circuit.....	550	.....	6
Palestine Circuit.....	444	.....	5
Mayfield Station.....	136	.....	4
Benton Circuit.....	350	.....	4
Wadesboro Circuit.....	387	.....	4
Birmingham Circuit.....	359	.....	3
Briensburg Circuit.....	306	.....	9
	3277	.....	40

Paris District.

Paris Station.....	110	2
Paris Circuit.....	589	.....	6
Conyersville Circuit.....	542	.....	10
Camden Circuit.....	663	.....	5
Huntingdon Circuit.....	304	.....	2

Paris District (continued).

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Trezevant Circuit.....	564	.....	7
Hickory Ridge Mission.....	50	.....	.....
Morgan's Creek Circuit.....	336	.....	3
Lexington Circuit.....	421	.....	2
Decaturville Circuit.....	420	.....	7
New Salem Circuit.....	522	.....	9
	4521	.....	53

Iuka District (in part).

Burnsville Circuit (in part).....	62	.....	.....
Corinth Circuit (in part).....	132	.....	1
La Grange and Middleton Station....	281	.....	.....
Jonesboro Circuit (in part).....	95	.....	.....
	570	.....	1

Holly Springs District (in part).

Early Grove Circuit (in part)..... | 74 | | 1

Recapitulation.

Memphis District.....	1482	.....	11
Somerville ".....	2855	30	25
Jackson ".....	4018	.....	43
Trenton ".....	3646	.....	42
Dresden ".....	4734	.....	45
Paducah ".....	3277	.....	40
Paris ".....	4521	.....	53
Iuka ".....	570	.....	1
Holly Springs ".....	74	.....	1
Total this year.....	25,177	30	261

[We cannot give the comparison with last year's numbers, in view of the changes in boundaries.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
621.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1604.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
244.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1786.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
11,984.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$1950.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1285 80

Applied for the benefit of the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Missions, \$1932 50
Old debt, 470 00
\$2402 50

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Trenton, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MEMPHIS DISTRICT.

A. H. Thomas, P. E.

Memphis:

Second Street. E. C. Slater.
Central, A. L. Pritchett.
Hernando Street, L. D. Mullins.
Saffarans Street, Greenwood, and City Mission,
W. M. Patterson.
Springdale and Bethel, D. R. S. Rosebrough.
Bartlett, T. P. Davidson.
Germantown, Thomas Joyner.
Collierville, T. L. Beard.
Macon, T. L. Boswell, James W. Atkinson.
Shelby Mission, W. M. McFerrin.
La Grange and Middleton, John A. Fife, James
C. Hooks.
State Female College, Charles Collins, President.
Editor Western Methodist, W. C. Johnson.
Editor Christian Index, Samuel Watson.

SOMERVILLE DISTRICT.

John Moss, P. E.

Somerville Station, W. D. F. Hafford, J. T. Baskerville, Sup.
Whiteville, Warner Moore (to be transferred).
Bolivar Station, S. B. Suratt.
Embury, M. D. Fly.
Mount Zion, C. J. Mauldin.
Covington and Tabernacle, G. B. Baskerville.
Wesley, A. C. Smith, James Perry, Sup.
Clopton and Concordia, M. H. Cullum.
Dancyville, Ashley R. Wilson, R. V. Taylor, Sup.
Somerville Female Institute, W. T. Plummer.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

W. T. Harris, P. E.

Jackson Station, James A. Heard.
East Jackson, W. T. Bolling.
Jackson Circuit, W. B. Seward, T. F. Sanders.
Humboldt and Milan, Edgar Orgain.
Brownsville Station, Guilford Jones.
Denmark, George K. Brooks.
Tabernacle, B. A. Hayes.
Miflin, Thomas Taylor.
Pinson, R. G. Rainey.
Rock Spring, Isaac N. Reeves.
Purdy, John G. Glasgow.
Adamsville, David J. Austin.
Memphis Conference Female Institute, A. W. Jones, President.
Sunday-school Agent, J. T. C. Collins.

TRENTON DISTRICT.

W. H. Leigh, P. E.

Trenton Station, Smith W. Moore.
Trenton Circuit, M. M. Taylor, N. Sullivan, Sup.

Cageville, B. M. Burrow.
 Friendship, John Randle.
 Dyersburg Station, H. B. Avery, G. B. Allen, Sup.
 Dyersburg Circuit, W. J. Mahon.
 Kenton, N. P. Ramsey.
 Brownsville Circuit, James M. Scott, J. S. Renshaw.
 Gibson, John C. Reed (to be transferred).
 Ashport Mission, to be supplied (by Jonathan Richardson).
 Andrew College, S. W. Moore, President.

DRESDEN DISTRICT.

J. G. Acton, P. E.

Dresden Station, B. F. Blackmon.
 Dresden Circuit, J. M. Spence.
 Hickman Station, to be supplied.
 Hickman Circuit, James G. Pirtle.
 Madrid Bend, E. B. Plummer.
 Troy, Wade H. Frost, M. D. Robinson, Sup.
 Union City Station, John E. Beck.
 Richland, Simpson Weaver.
 Boydsville, W. T. C. Young.
 McKenzie Circuit, H. B. Covington, J. C. Crews, Sup.
 Murray, D. C. McCutchen.

PADUCAH DISTRICT.

R. H. Mahon, P. E.

Paducah Station, Joseph H. Evans.
 Paducah Circuit, W. W. Faucett.
 Brandenburg, to be supplied (by J. A. Mason), B. H. Bishop, Sup.
 Columbus and Clinton Station, Findley Bynum.
 Clinton, James M. Flatt.
 Milburn, F. A. Wilkerson.

Mayfield Station, Jasper V. Fly, A. L. Hunsaker, Sup.
 Benton, Wiley B. Quinn.
 Wadesborough, to be supplied.
 Birmingham, Thomas C. Ellis.
 Briensburg, to be supplied.

PARIS DISTRICT.

John H. Witt, P. E.

Paris Station, F. S. Petway (to be transferred).
 Paris Circuit, W. A. Cook, D. M. K. Collins, Sup.
 McKenzie Station, Samuel A. Mason.
 Conyersville, Thomas R. Luter.
 Camden, to be supplied (by Thomas E. Hall).
 Huntingdon, Junius P. Walker.
 Trezevant, R. A. Umstead.
 Salem, Benjamin F. Peeples.
 Lexington, R. S. Swift.
 Morgan's Creek, Benjamin Peeples.
 Decaturville, Reuben R. Nelson.
 Saltillo, J. R. Sykes.

Lorenzo Lea, Sup., transferred to Tennessee Conference.

A. T. Scruggs, transferred to St. Louis Conference, St. Paul's, St. Louis.

William D. Stayton, transferred to Louisiana Conference.

A. B. Fly, Philip Tuggle, S. R. Brewer, James L. Futrell, B. B. Risenhoover, Hiram R. Caldwell, G. W. Bachman, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

John H. Garrett, transferred to Illinois Conference.

William T. Melugin, transferred to North West Texas Conference.

T. B. Atterberry and W. R. Gardner, transferred to Little Rock Conference.

16.—TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PULASKI, TENN., October 5-13, 1870.

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; ROBERT A. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Thomas O. Summers, jr., Orville G. Halliburton, Lacy Boone, George S. Byrom, Peyton A. Sowell, Joseph B. Erwin, John S. McGee, John W. Hanner, jr., Rufus E. Travis, John R. Reagin, Benjamin F. Stone, John W. Rooker, Ephraim W. White. 13.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

W. J. Hale, Thomas B. Fisher, Sterling A. Ellis, James W. Hill, Willis M. Doyle, Robert P. Roland, Alanson Brown, Joseph H. Strayhorn. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

DeWitt C. Miles, Henry S. Ledbetter, Henry D. Hogan, Wm. W. Jarad, Andrew J. Ford, Thomas H. Hinson, Wickliffe Weakley, Albert T. Goodloe, John B. Jordan. 9.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

George D. Guinn. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Z. M. Taylor, Philip L. Henderson, George L. Staley. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Thomas H. Hinson, Wm. B. Lowery, Adolphus M. Ezell, Wm. S. Harwell, Robert P. Gray, Thomas J. Duncan, George M. Sanders, Paul C. Gaston, Nathan B. S. Owings, James G. Hinson, Samuel L. Orman. 11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas B. Fisher, James W. Hill, DeWitt C. Miles, Andrew J. Ford, Albert T. Goodloe, John B. Jordan. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas B. Fisher, James W. Hill, De Witt C. Miles, Andrew J. Ford, Albert T. Goodloe, John B. Jordan. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas S. McFerrin, Archie Clark, James T. Alexander, Daniel E. Morris, George W. Cook, Richard M. Woods, Joseph M. Sowell, Littlebury M. Samford, Rufus B. Parrott, William T. Gill, Wm. J. McAnally, Joseph L. Berry, Jason P. Brooks, William M. P. Rippey, Thomas G. Morgan. 15. William Rose (colored). 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas S. McFerrin, James T. Alexander, George W. Cook, Joseph M. Sowell, Littlebury M. Samford, Rufus B. Parrott, William T. Gill, William M. P. Rippey, William H. Bass, Solomon Cross, George W. Johnson. 11. William Rose (colored). 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William W. Jarad, John S. Davis, Pinckney T. Martin, Edward F. Lyons, Fielding F. Fagan, James R. Randle. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

William W. Jarad, John S. Davis, Pinckney T. Martin, Edward F. Lyons, Fielding F. Fagan, James R. Randle. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Wm. Qualls, Felix R. McGaugh, Benj. F. Hudson, David D. Smith, W. R. McKennon. 5.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Felix R. McGaugh, Benjamin F. Hudson, William R. McKennon, William B. Hall, Matthew Ramsey. 5.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John Hughes Gold, Nicholas A. Anthony. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Isaac Milner, J. S. Williams, A. C. Matthews, Z. M. Taylor, R. A. Reagan, A. H. Reams, Charles Laxon, J. B. Hamilton, W. H. Wilkes, G. W. Brown, J. R. McClure, J. A. Walkup, S. D. Ogburn, W. H. Johnson, J. M. Locke, William G. Dorris, C. B. Faris, William R. Warren,

J. M. Groce, William H. Riggan, Albert J. Allen. 21.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

John A. Jones, A. J. B. Foster, J. D. Winn, Stanford Lasseter, J. W. Tarrant, Golman Green, Thomas Maddin. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

William Mullens, Gilbert D. Taylor, John McCurdy. 3.

WILLIAM MULLENS was born in Virginia in 1804. He removed with his parents to Bedford county, Tennessee, when a youth, and settled on Duck River. He professed religion in 1820, and was licensed to preach shortly afterward. His connection with the Tennessee Conference began in 1822, and he labored two years in West Tennessee. He afterward traveled Bigbee, Duck River, Bedford, Dickson, Chapel Hill, and Lynnville Circuits. About seven years after he joined Conference, his health became so feeble that he located, but as soon as his health improved he was readmitted. His health gave way the second time, and he was granted a supernumerary relation, in which he continued until his death. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Roberts, and elder by Bishop Soule. He was happily married in 1827, to Miss Harriett E. Claggett, who still survives him. His death occurred March 18, 1870. He died as he had lived, leaving no one to question the fact that his end was peace. For forty-eight years he had been faithful and blameless as a minister of the gospel. Unfortunately his physical constitution could not keep pace with his disposition to labor in the vineyard of the Master, but his heart was ever in the itinerancy, and his only regret was that he was unable to travel and do effective service all his days. By nature he was a nobleman, and ever preserved his integrity of character. His sympathies were always with the afflicted, and his liberality to relieve the sufferings of others was proverbial.

GILBERT D. TAYLOR was born at "Hare Forest," on the Rapidan River, Orange county, Va., November 18, 1791, in the same house in which his relative, Gen. Z. Taylor, was afterwards born. Having passed his course of literary training, he devoted himself to the study of medicine, and attended the lectures in Philadelphia. He removed to the town of Pulaski in the year 1811, when the country was just emerging from a wilderness state. Here he entered upon the practice of his profession, and soon gave evidence of his skill and ability as a physician. In the war of 1812 he was a surgeon in Gen. Andrew Jackson's army, and served through the whole campaign. He was promoted to the General's staff, and by his skill and various acts of courage made himself conspicuous and endeared himself to his commander-in-chief. The war over, he resumed his practice in Pulaski, and was highly esteemed. He, however, was wicked, profane, and knew

but little of religion till about the year 1816, when he was powerfully converted while wrestling alone with God in private prayer in the suburbs of the town in the dark hours of the night. He soon united with the Methodists, who were a feeble band in the town where he resided. In 1817 he was united in marriage to Miss Delia McCormack, who still survives him, and is awaiting the command of Christ to join her sainted husband in "the land of rest." About the year 1819 he felt it to be his duty to preach the gospel; he accordingly applied for license, and was recommended to the Annual Conference, intending to sacrifice wealth and worldly honor for the cause of Christ and Methodism. He, however, met with serious obstructions. He had inherited slaves, and, though a kind master, certain members of the Conference, who were strong antislavery men, would not tolerate him while he was a slaveholder, and he was rejected. Not daunted by this cruel treatment, he determined to preach in a local sphere, though denied the right of ordination. In a few years, however, a change came, and he was received into the Tennessee Conference, and for the most part of his after life, held connection with the Conference. He filled many important appointments on circuits, missions, and on Districts, as Presiding Elder. He was honored by his brethren, and was chosen more than once as a delegate to the General Conference. Dr. Taylor was a man of fine attainments; in literature and theology he took high rank. As a preacher, he was very popular, and eminently useful. His mind was sound, and his imagination chaste. His style of preaching was simple, yet forcible and full of unction. He often moved the multitudes, and won many souls to Christ. Though modest and timid—shrinking from prominent positions and seeking the most obscure places—yet, when under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, he was as bold as a lion, and fearless of all opposition. His zeal knew no abatement. He was large in his liberality, and by kindness and generosity sacrificed a large part of his worldly goods. As a husband, father, and friend, he had no superior. His heart glowed with friendship, and he loved his brethren with an ardor that was seldom equaled. His life was blameless, and all who knew him regarded him as a spotless Christian. He was particularly kind and regardful of the poor, giving attention not only as a minister of Christ to the sick and dying, but ministering as a physician without fee or reward. He was a devoted Methodist, while he was tolerant towards all who professed to love the Lord Jesus Christ. He was specially attached to the itinerant system, and exhorted his younger brethren never to abandon the pastoral work. In his declining years he passed through the flood and the flames. He was robbed, during the late war, of most of his property, and at times had scarcely a morsel of food for his helpless family, while his frame, trembling under the weight of years and infirmities, shivered in the cold. Yet his faith failed not; he trusted in God, and deliverance came. His last years were full of peace, full

of joy. He died as the good man dieth: not a cloud obscured his setting sun. He retained his senses till the last, and departed in full hope of a glorious immortality. He gave directions as to his funeral, requesting to be buried in a plain, unostentatious manner, as he had endeavored to live a plain and unpretentious man. He died at his residence in Pulaski, August 6, 1870, in the 79th year of his age. Full of years and full of honor, he has gone to reap the reward of the righteous.

JOHN McCURDY was born in Elbert county, Georgia, July 10, 1800. While in his seventh year, his parents removed to Williamson county, Tennessee. In 1825 he professed religion and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1826 he was licensed to exhort; and in 1830 he was licensed to preach, and in due time was ordained deacon and elder. In 1843 he was admitted on trial in the Tennessee Annual Conference. From that time till the day of his death he was a faithful worker in the vineyard of the Lord, laboring on various circuits and missions. Much of his time and strength were devoted to missionary toil among the colored people. In this field he was very successful; many an African will, we doubt not, rise up in the judgment to call him blessed. For the last several years of his life, Brother McCurdy's health was feeble, and he was on the supernumerary and superannuated lists; yet he labored as he was able till so prostrated by disease he could no longer preach, when in pain and much suffering he awaited the call of his Master from labor to reward. Brother McCurdy was a man of sound judgment, good common sense, and deep and uniform piety. He lived above reproach, and died honored by all who knew him. His last sickness was protracted and painful; yet he was patient, submissive, and cheerful, spending much time in meditation and prayer; often expressing himself in terms evincing his faith in Christ, and his resignation to the will of God. He died at his residence in Williamson county, Tenn., August 17, 1870; and was followed to the grave by a large concourse of weeping friends.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except J. T. W. Davis, who was suspended for three months, and Thomas J. Neely, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Nashville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Nashville:			
McKendree Station.....	573	.....	1
West Nashville Miss. (no report)...	.....	.....	.....
Elm Street Station.....	292	.....	1
City Mission.....	222	.....	1
Tulip Street Station.....	256	.....	3

Nashville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Nashville:			
Hobson Chapel.....	73	.....	3
North Edgefield Station.....	75	.....	1
Trinity.....	40	.....	1
White's Creek Circuit.....	175	.....	2
Goodlettsville.....	274	.....	2
Nashville.....	314	.....	4
	2294	.....	19

Lebanon District.

Lebanon Station.....	196	.....	1
Lebanon Circuit.....	422	.....	3
Cairo Bend Mission.....	51	.....	.....
Union Circuit.....	235	.....	2
Shady Grove.....	361	18	2
Nolensville.....	510	.....	1
Mill Creek.....	310	1	1
Sumner.....	366	.....	6
Gallatin Station.....	203	.....	.....
Goose Creek Circuit.....	483	.....	4
	3137	19	20

Carthage District.

Carthage Circuit.....	295	.....	3
Alexandria Cir. and Statesville Miss.....	330	.....	4
Smithville Circuit.....	607	1	1
Woodberry.....	296	.....	2
Cumberland.....	628	2	8
Sparta Station.....	114	.....	1
Sparta Circuit.....	472	40	6
Livingston.....	510	.....	6
Wartrace.....	315	.....	3
Cookeville Mission.....	197	6	2
	3764	49	36

Murfreesboro District.

Murfreesboro Station.....	308	.....	2
Stone's River Circuit.....	342	.....	2
Middleton.....	461	.....	2
Walnut Grove Station.....	66	.....	1
Unionville Circuit.....	349	.....	.....
Shelbyville Station.....	133	.....	1
Rich Valley Circuit.....	332	.....	1
Cave Spring.....	404	7	3
Pleasant Hill.....	257	.....	.....
Bedford.....	397	.....	2
	3049	7	14

McMinnville District.

McMinnville and Manchester Station.....	151	.....	.....
McMinnville and Warren Mission ..	423	.....	7
Hickory Creek Circuit.....	535	.....	6
Manchester.....	715	15	6
Winchester and Dechard Station....	101	.....	4
Tullahoma and Normandy.....	117	.....	2
Tullahoma Circuit.....	525	3	6
Bellbuckle and Wartrace Station.....	232	.....	.....
	2799	18	31

Pulaski District.

Pulaski Station.....	258	1	1
Richland Circuit.....	553	.....	10
Mount Pisgah.....	900	.....	5
Cornersville Station.....	119	25	1
Petersburg Circuit.....	500	.....	5
Pleasant Valley and Salem Station...	196	.....	1
Lawrenceburg Circuit.....	288	.....	5
Trinity Station.....	236	.....	2
Prospect Circuit.....	575	1	4
Lynnville Mission.....	304	.....	1
	3929	27	35

Columbia District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbia Station.....	183	.....	1
Spring Hill.....	95	.....	.....
Santa Fe Circuit.....	300	.....	1
Williamsport and Nebo Station.....	159	.....	5
Mount Pleasant Circuit.....	255	.....	2
Duck River.....	349	.....	1
	1341	.....	10

Franklin District.

Franklin Station.....	250	.....	1
Harpeth.....	191	1	.....
Harpeth Circuit.....	410	.....	3
Douglass.....	241	.....	.....
Smith's Springs.....	260	.....	1
Wesley.....	174	1	3
Bethesda.....	275	.....	1
Chapel Hill.....	321	1	2
Spring Hill.....	209	.....	5
	2331	3	16

Waverly District.

Centreville Circuit.....	487	.....	.....
Piney River.....	313	.....	2
Yellow Creek.....	354	.....	5
Dover.....	306	.....	2
White Oak.....	274	.....	3
Waverly.....	323	.....	3
Linden.....	400	12	6
Tennessee River Mission.....	158	2	3
Wayne Circuit.....	381	.....	4
Swan.....	366	7	5
Beaver Dam Mission.....	114	3	1
	3476	24	34

Clarksville District.

Clarksville Station.....	276	.....	1
New Providence.....	53	.....	.....
South Clarksville.....	28	.....	.....
Salem.....	55	18	1
Cedar Hill.....	300	.....	2
Montgomery Circuit.....	447	.....	4
Dickson.....	450	.....	6
Antioch.....	526	7	4
Asbury.....	628	.....	5
Lineport.....	369	.....	2
Springfield Station.....	121	.....	.....
	3253	25	25

McKendree District.

Ashland Mission.....	190	.....	2
Shiloh Circuit.....	309	.....	3
Fountain Head.....	287	.....	1
Pleasant Grove.....	247	.....	4
Summit.....	243	1	3
La Fayette.....	259	3
Red River.....	473	1
	2008	1	17

Larkinsville District.

Salem Circuit.....	380	7
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Huntsville District.

Elk River Circuit.....	515	10
Fayetteville Station.....	76
Fayetteville Circuit.....	365	6
	956	.....	16

Athens District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Frs.
Elk Mount Circuit.....	50	.....	.....

Florence District.

Savannah Circuit.....	533	.....	11
Shoal.....	231	.....	5
Cypress.....	258	.....	6
Waterloo (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
	1022	.....	22

Recapitulation.

Nashville District.....	2294	.....	19
Lebanon ".....	3137	19	20
Carthage ".....	3764	49	36
Murfreesboro ".....	3049	7	14
McMinnville ".....	2799	13	31
Pulaski ".....	3929	27	35
Columbia ".....	1341	.....	10
Franklin ".....	2331	3	16
Waverly ".....	3476	24	34
Clarksville ".....	3253	25	25
McKendree ".....	2008	1	17
Larkinsville ".....	380	.....	7
Huntsville ".....	956	.....	16
Athens ".....	50	.....	.....
Florence ".....	1022	.....	22
Total this year.....	33,789	173	302

[We cannot give the comparison with last year's numbers, in view of the changes in boundaries.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
654.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
2408.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
320.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
2039.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
15,331.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3425.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2108 05

Applied as follows:

Dr. Baldwin's children,	\$250 00
Mrs. M. M. Henkle,	50 00
Mrs. Martin Clark,	50 00
Mrs. Thos. Randle and children,	360 00
Mrs. B. R. Gant,	50 00
Rev. A. J. B. Foster,	50 00
Mrs. H. H. Brown,	75 00
Rev. J. W. Tarrant,	175 00
Rev. J. D. Winn,	50 00
Mrs. Cooley and child,	50 00
Mrs. Wm. Randle,	50 00
Mrs. Willis and children,	200 00
Mrs. — Tarrant and child,	125 00

Mrs. Wm. Jarred and children,	100 00
Mrs. T. N. Lankford and child,	75 00
Mrs. John McCurdy,	50 00
Mrs. D. H. Jones and child,	75 00
Mrs. — Tinner,	100 00
Rev. Golman Green,	75 00
A. J. Gilmore's daughter,	50 00
Paid for Envelopes,	65
Paid claimants from N. Ala. Conference,	33 60
Indefinitely distributed among claim'ts,	13 80

\$2108 05

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Domestic Missions,	\$2602 23
Foreign Missions,	2906 93
	\$5509 16

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Lebanon, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NASHVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. Hanner, Sr., P. E.

Nashville:

{ McKendree Station, D. C. Kelley. ✓
{ West Nashville Mission, W. D. F. Sawrie. ✓
Elm Street Station, R. A. Young. ✓
City Mission, Henry D. Hogan, W. R. Warren, Sup. ✓
Tulip Street Station, R. K. Brown. ✓
North Edgefield, T. O. Summers, jr. ✓
Hobson Chapel, J. W. Hill. ✓
Trinity, T. B. Fisher. ✓
White's Creek Circuit, Garrett W. Martin, A. C. Matthews, Sup. ✓
Goodlettsville, L. C. Bryan. ✓
Nashville, F. F. Fagan. ✓
Missionary Secretary, J. B. McFerrin. ✓
Sunday-school Agent, C. C. Mayhew. ✓

LEBANON DISTRICT.

J. F. Hughes, P. E.

Lebanon Station, J. R. Plummer.
Lebanon Circuit, B. F. Ferrell.
Shady Grove, Wm. D. Cherry, one to be supplied (by John A. McFerrin.)
Union, R. P. Gray.
Nolensville, J. A. Orman, one to be supplied.
Mill Creek, J. J. Pitts.
Sumner, B. M. Stevens.
Gallatin Station, Wm. M. Green, W. G. Dorris, Sup.
Cairo Bend Mission, to be supplied (by T. J. Reed).
Goose Creek Circuit, J. J. Pitman.

CARTHAGE DISTRICT.

J. J. Comer, P. E.

Carthage Station, W. N. Moore.
Carthage Circuit, N. B. S. Owings, R. A. Reagan, Sup.

Alexandria Circuit and Statesville Mission, J. C. Putman, W. J. Hale.
 Smithville Circuit, W. B. Lowery, A. H. Reams, Sup.
 Woodbury, G. L. Staley, J. A. Walkup, Sup.
 Cumberland, M. N. Ford, W. H. Johnson, Sup.
 Sparta Station, R. W. Bellamy.
 Sparta Circuit and Cookeville Mission, O. G. Halliburton, one to be supplied.
 Livingston Circuit, A. J. Ford.
 Wartrace, John B. Jordan, James A. Morris, Sup.

MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

F. E. Pitts, P. E.

Murfreesboro Station, F. R. Hill.
 Stone's River Circuit, S. M. Cherry.
 Beech Grove, T. B. Marks.
 Rich Valley, Joseph B. Erwin.
 Cave Spring, B. F. Stone.
 Shelbyville Station, T. H. Hinson.
 Middleton Circuit, J. G. Myers.
 Unionville, J. H. Richardson, C. B. Faris, Sup.
 Walnut Grove Station, G. T. Henderson, E. J. Allen, Sup.
 Soule Female College, D. D. Moore, President.

McMINNVILLE DISTRICT.

A. S. Riggs, P. E.

McMinnville and Manchester Station, George W. Anderson.
 McMinnville Circuit and Warren Mission, U. S. Bates.
 Hickory Creek Circuit, George D. Gwynn.
 Manchester, George W. Byrom.
 Winchester Station, John R. Thompson.
 Tullahoma and Normandy, Rufus E. Travis.
 Bellbuckle Station, A. T. Crawford.
 Bedford Circuit, Paul C. Gaston.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. D. Barbee, P. E.

Fayetteville Station, M. W. Gray.
 Fayetteville Circuit, J. B. Anderson.
 Elk River Circuit, E. W. White, J. M. Groce, Sup.
 Pleasant Plains, William Witcher.
 Elk River Mission, to be supplied.
 Salem Circuit, M. R. Tucker.
 Pleasant Hill, W. M. Shaw.
 Alto, R. T. McBride.
 Tullahoma, Allen Tribble.
 Petersburg, J. H. Strayhorn.

PULASKI DISTRICT.

R. P. Ransom, P. E.

Pulaski Station, Wellborn Mooney.
 Cornersville, A. M. Ezell.
 Mount Pisgah Circuit, W. G. Hensley, J. R. McClure, Sup.
 Richland, R. M. Haggard, Charles Laxon, Sup.
 Prospect, R. L. Fagan, W. H. Riggan, Sup.
 Trinity Station, R. R. Jones.
 Pleasant Valley, G. P. Jackson.

Lawrenceburg Circuit, R. P. Gannaway.
 Lynnville, John Sherrill, J. M. Locke, Sup.
 Cornersville Female Institute, B. H. Malone, President.

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

A. G. Dinwiddie, P. E.

Savannah Circuit, George W. Martin.
 Loweryville, to be supplied (by M. E. Rippey).
 Mount Zion, Payton A. Sowell.
 Shoal, Alanson Brown.
 Henryville, W. P. Warren.
 Swan, W. M. Doyle.
 Tennessee River Mission, J. S. McGee.
 Wayne Circuit, D. H. Merryman.
 Beaver Dam Mission, H. S. Ledbetter.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

A. L. P. Green, P. E.

Columbia Station, A. W. Smith.
 Spring Hill Station, R. G. Irvine, Isaac Milner, Sup.
 Williamsport and Nebo Circuit, R. G. Linn, J. B. Hamilton, Sup.
 Duck River, J. G. Rice, J. S. Williams, Sup.
 Culleoka Station, Jasper Nichols.
 Mount Pleasant Circuit, W. H. Hughes, W. H. Wilkes, Sup.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

Wm. Burr, P. E.

Franklin Station, T. L. Moody.
 Harpeth, H. B. North.
 Harpeth Circuit, J. B. Allison.
 Douglass, J. G. Bolton.
 Smith's Springs, John R. Reagan.
 Wesley, William Doss.
 Chapel Hill, W. P. Owen.
 Spring Hill, G. W. Winn.
 Bethesda, A. F. Lawrence.
 Tennessee Female College, R. K. Hargrove, President.

CENTREVILLE DISTRICT.

Jordan Moore, P. E.

Centreville Circuit, S. A. Ellis.
 Santa Fe, A. T. Goodloe.
 Lick Creek Mission, to be supplied (by John P. Bingham.)
 Pine River Circuit, Lacy Boone.
 Yellow Creek, W. W. Graves.
 Dover, J. G. Hinson.
 White Oak, A. B. Coke.
 Ebenezer and Liberty, W. A. Turner.
 Waverly, Robert T. Rowland.
 Linden, Wm. T. Dye.
 American Bible Society, S. P. Whitten, Agent.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

Alpheus Mizell, P. E.

Clarksville Station, J. P. McFerrin.
 New Providence, B. G. Ferrell.

South Clarksville, to be supplied, Z. M. Taylor, Sup.
 Cedar Hill, T. J. Duncan.
 Montgomery Circuit, J. W. Cullum.
 Dickson, P. T. Martin.
 Antioch, J. H. Reynolds.
 Asbury, John W. Hanner, jr., George W. Brown, Sup.
 Lineport, J. R. Randle.
 Springfield Station, S. L. Orman, S. D. Ogburn, Sup.
 Salem, E. T. Hart.
 Clarksville Female Academy, J. B. West, Pres't.

McKENDREE DISTRICT.

J. G. Ray, P. E.

Red River Circuit, G. M. Saunders.

Pleasant Grove, D. C. Miles.
 Fountain Head, E. R. Shapard.
 Summit, to be supplied (by W. W. Lynch).
 La Fayette, to be supplied (by J. H. Henry).
 Ashland Mission, to be supplied (by J. H. Campbell).
 Shiloh, John W. Rooker.

Thomas H. Deavenport, Wickliffe Weakley, and Philip L. Henderson, transferred to North Alabama Conference.

Edward F. Lyons, transferred to Holston Conference.

John S. Davis, transferred to North-west Texas Conference.

Wm. W. Jared, transferred to Western Conference.

17.—KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COVINGTON, KY., *September 14-20, 1870.*

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; T. F. VANMETER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. J. H. Young, W. T. Rowland, M. B. Reynolds, J. O. A. Vaught, G. N. Buffington, G. C. Overstreet, J. H. Caywood, R. J. Pollitt, M. W. Hiner, G. N. McMahon, G. C. Kelley. 11.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

L. W. Piggott, Robert Hurt, S. S. Goodman, W. L. Corbin, J. N. Current, D. W. Robertson, H. R. Blaisdell, James Holmes. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

T. B. Cook, W. H. H. Ditzler, G. D. Turner, D. G. B. Demaree; S. B. Hyman and W. A. G. Emmerson (from the Lutheran Church). 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

S. W. Speer, J. A. Henderson, J. Ditzler. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

G. D. Turner. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

W. H. H. Ditzler, J. N. Current, D. W. Robertson. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

W. H. H. Ditzler, J. N. Current, D. W. Robertson. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

W. W. Buckley, T. P. May, Smith Gossett. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

W. W. Buckley, T. P. May. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

T. B. Cook. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

T. B. Cook. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

W. P. Vaught, Lockey Lancaster. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

W. P. Vaught. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Milton Mann. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

G. B. Poage. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Isaac Collard, T. R. Malone, J. C. Hardy, W. C. Atmore, L. C. Danley, Peter Taylor, J. Sandusky. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

J. R. Hall. 1.

JOHN R. HALL died in the city of Philadelphia, June 21, 1870, in the 70th year of his age. It is regretted that we have so little information concerning his early life, and so few particulars in reference to his last moments. It is believed that he was born and educated in Philadelphia, that he there became a carriage-maker by trade, that he was extensively engaged in that business at Pittsburgh, at Wheeling, and at St. Louis. About thirty years ago he removed to the city of Louisville, with very limited financial resources, and greatly depressed in spirit. Some time during the Conference year, 1842 or 1843, he strayed into the old Fourth Street Church, where the Rev. George W. Brush was preaching. The heart-searching discourse of the preacher so affected his unknown hearer as to make him consider himself personally insulted. He was strongly tempted to demand an apology, or administer a chastisement, but happily decided to hear the preacher again before proceeding to such extremities. He heard, repented, believed, and was converted. From this time he continued to be strong in faith, fervent in prayer, and active in the service of Christ and his Church. His business troubles were carried to the throne of the heavenly grace, and, as he firmly believed, direct answers to his prayers frequently removed the most serious financial embarrassments. In a few years he acquired a comfortable estate and retired from business. Though beginning to be an old man, he was licensed to preach, and, after laboring a short time as a local preacher, was admitted on trial in the Louisville Annual Conference in 1850. He served the Twelfth Street Church two years, Portland one year, and was again appointed to the Twelfth Street Church. His labors as an itinerant were highly successful, but his peculiar circumstances induced him to ask for a location. After his location he labored very actively and with considerable success. During the war he was employed for a short time as a supply for the Church at Booneville, Missouri. In 1866 he was readmitted into the traveling connection in the Kentucky Annual Conference, and stationed at Danville. He was not successful at this place, but he labored with his usual zeal, and preached to attentive congregations. At the close of this year the state of his own health, and the afflictions of his wife, led him to ask for and obtain a superannuated relation. At the Conference of 1869 he was made a supernumerary, and connected with the Covington Station; but, living hundreds of miles away, he was not able to render any service in this charge. Though Brother Hall seemed to be a restless, discontented man, frequently removing from place to place, he never ceased to be prayerful, laborious, and successful as a preacher. Whether living in Kentucky or Missouri, in Louisville, Cincinnati, Baltimore, or Philadelphia, he was always "in labors more abundant." Though a decided Southern Methodist, the pulpits of the

North were ever open to so true and zealous a Methodist minister. On the 12th of May, 1870, he saw his aged wife depart for the better land, and in a few days he, as we believe, joined her in the blessed abodes.

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Frankfort	170
Versailles	157	1
Georgetown	85	1
Millersburg	198
Winchester	153
Mount Sterling	270	.....	1
Greenwich	72	1	.....
Oxford	182	.....	1
North Middletown	137	5	.....
Paris	145	.....	.....
Cedar Chapel	47	.....	1
	1936	6	6

Harrodsburg District.

Harrodsburg	275	.....	2
Lawrenceburg	205	.....	1
Anderson	260	.....	1
Perryville	194	20	2
Perryville Circuit	400	10	3
Maxville	185	.....	.....
Danville	141	.....	1
Bryantsville	160	.....	1
Richmond	121	.....	3
Stanford	95	.....	.....
Nicholasville	157	.....	.....
Jessamine	300	.....	1
	2493	30	15

Shelbyville District.

Shelbyville	132	.....	.....
Shelby Circuit	226	1	1
Taylorsville	220	50	1
Bloomfield	279	1	.....
La Grange	150	.....	1
Floydsburg	217	.....	2
Bedford	378	14	1
Milton	205	12	2
Newcastle	181	.....	1
Simpsonville	150	.....	.....
Jacksonville	428	.....	2
Springport	499	.....	4
	3065	78	15

Covington District.

Covington	397	.....	2
Newport	189	.....	.....
Alexandria	147	.....	2
California	325	.....	3
Falmouth	165	5	1
Independence	170	.....	.....
Oddville	400	.....	2
Cynthiana	175	.....	.....
Warsaw	160	.....	.....
Owen	280	.....	1
Carrollton	121	.....	.....
Williamstown	173	14	2
Downingsville	221	.....	3

Covington District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Burlington	185	7	2
New Columbus.....	548	11	4
	3656	37	22

Maysville District.

Maysville.....	238	.....	1
Washington.....	170	.....	1
Brooksville.....	340	.....	.....
Shannon.....	222	5	1
Mount Olivet.....	172	10	.....
Flemingsburg.....	205	.....	1
Tilton.....	120	2	2
Carlisle.....	590	.....	4
Sharpsburg.....	179	.....	.....
Owingsville.....	55	.....	.....
Poplar Plains.....	280	5	3
Orangeburg.....	162	.....	2
Vanceburg.....	474	7	1
Minerva.....	90	5	.....
	3297	34	16

West Liberty District.

West Liberty.....	144	4
Stanton.....	205	.....	2
Irvine.....	230	.....	2
Campton.....	91	4	2
Prestonsburg.....	557	.....	5
Piketon.....	312	6	6
Whitesburg.....	100	1	4
Morehead.....	113	.....	1
Jackson.....	32	.....	3
	1784	11	29

Somerset District.

Somerset.....	240	.....	3
Pulaski.....	74	.....	1
Fishing Creek.....	223	2	1
Williamsburg.....	60	.....	1
Barboursville.....	30	.....	1
Booneville.....	20	.....	.....
London.....	110	1	1
Mount Pleasant.....	325	26	3
	1082	29	11

Recapitulation.

Lexington District.....	1936	6	6
Harrodsburg ".....	2493	30	15
Shelbyville ".....	3065	78	15
Covington ".....	3656	37	22
Maysville ".....	3297	34	16
West Liberty ".....	1784	11	29
Somerset ".....	1082	29	11
Total this year.....	17,313	225	114
Total last year.....	16,541	764	108
Increase.....	772	.....	6
Decrease.....		539	

Ques 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
304.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1190.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
130.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
947.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
6216.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2150.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1876 05
Applied as follows:
Isaac Collard, \$130 84
T. B. Malone, 130 84
L. C. Danley, 174 47
J. C. Hardy, 130 84
W. C. Atmore, 174 47
Mrs. W. G. Johns, 348 94
J. M. Johnson's children, 87 24
Mrs. Gilby Kelley, 87 24
Mrs. Samuel Kelley, 174 47
Mrs. John James, 87 24
Mrs. S. A. Latta, 87 24
Mrs. W. M. Vize, 87 24
Mrs. G. L. Gould, 87 24
Mrs. J. H. Brooking, 87 24
Stamps, 50

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
Missions, \$3483 23
Old Foreign Debt, 1500 00
\$4983 23

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Paris, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

G. W. Merritt, P. E.

Lexington, H. A. M. Henderson.
Frankfort, T. J. Dodd.
Versailles and Mortonsville, D. Beardsley.
Georgetown, S. Noland.
Winchester, F. W. Noland.
Millersburg, W. T. Poynter.
Greenwich, Orson Long.
Oxford, T. B. Cook.
North Middletown, Charles Taylor.
Paris, J. C. Morris.
Cedar Chapel, J. H. Young.
Mount Sterling, D. B. Cooper.
Ebenezer, W. T. Rowland.
Widows' Home and Orphans' University, S. X. Hall.
Chaplain State Prison, W. McD. Abbett.
Indiana Missions and Tract Society, J. Ditzler.
Kentucky Military Institute, R. T. P. Allen, President.

HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.

Morris Evans, P. E.

Harrodsburg, J. E. Letton.
Salvisa, S. S. Deering.
Lawrenceburg, W. C. Campbell.

Perryville, C. T. Widney.
 Perryville Circuit, G. D. Turner.
 Maxville, W. B. Godbey.
 Danville, G. T. Gould.
 Stanford, M. B. Reynolds.
 Somerset, N. G. Robinson.
 Nicholasville, Robert Hiner.
 Jessamine, W. W. Chamberlain.
 Richmond, B. F. Bristow.
 Lancaster and Crab Orchard, S. W. Speer.
 Bryantsville, W. A. G. Emmerson.

SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.

T. N. Ralston, P. E.

Shelbyville District, E. P. Buckner.
 Shelby Circuit, W. H. Winter.
 Taylorsville, W. T. Benton.
 Bloomfield, J. R. Deering.
 La Grange, S. L. Robertson.
 Floyd'sburg, T. P. C. Shellman.
 Bedford, B. F. Sedwick.
 Milton, J. Strother.
 Newcastle, J. C. Minor.
 Simpsonville, J. A. Henderson.
 Jacksonville Mission, J. Holmes.
 Springport, to be supplied (by W. Quisenberry).
 Carrollton, T. J. Godbey.
 Sunday-school Agent, T. F. Vanmeter.
 Carrollton High School, H. W. Abbett.

COVINGTON DISTRICT.

D. Welburn, P. E.

Covington, H. P. Walker.
 Newport, W. F. Taylor.
 Mount Pleasant and Dayton, J. O. A. Vaught.
 Alexandria, P. H. Hoffman.
 Falmouth, D. W. Robertson.
 Independence, G. N. Buffington.
 Oddville, R. Lancaster.
 Cynthia, C. W. Miller.
 Ruddle's Mills and Mount Gerizim, to be supplied.
 Warsaw, S. B. Hyman.
 Owen, D. G. B. Demaree.
 Williamstown, P. E. Kavanaugh.
 Burlington, G. W. Smith.
 Verona, G. C. Overstreet.

New Columbus, W. H. Parker.
 Agent of American Bible Society, G. S. Savage.

MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.

W. B. Kavanaugh, P. E.

Maysville, Joseph Rand.
 East Maysville, H. R. Blaisdell.
 Washington and Germantown, H. H. Kavanaugh, jr.
 Brooksville and Augusta, E. L. Southgate, G. B. Poage, Sup.
 Foster, J. H. Caywood.
 Shannon and Sardis, J. W. Wightman.
 Mount Olivet, W. D. Power.
 Flemingsburg, J. W. Fitch.
 Tilton, R. J. Pollitt.
 Carlisle and Irvingsville, W. Bickers, J. C. Crow.
 Sharpsburg and Bethel, H. R. Coleman.
 Owingsville, M. W. Hiner.
 Poplar Plains and Hillsboro, L. C. Waters.
 Orangeburg, J. N. Current.
 Vanceburg, D. H. Marimon.
 Minerva and Dover, W. H. H. Ditzler.

WEST LIBERTY DISTRICT.

Elkanah Johnson, P. E.

Stanton Mission, to be supplied (by J. T. Sams).
 Irving Circuit, W. F. Vaughan.
 Campton Mission, Jesse Locke.
 West Liberty, S. S. Goodman.
 Prestonburg, to be supplied (by W. Arrowwood).
 Piketon, G. N. McMahon.
 Whitesburg, to be supplied.
 Morehead, to be supplied (by C. Foster).
 Jackson, to be supplied.
 Agent of West Liberty Academy, R. Hurt.

BARBOURSVILLE DISTRICT.

W. B. Landrum, P. E.

Barboursville, to be supplied (by T. J. Mercer).
 Mount Pleasant Mission, to be supplied (by Wm. Turner).
 Manchester, to be supplied (by T. Burkhardt).
 Booneville, to be supplied (by S. Pope).
 London and Bethel, to be supplied (by W. Cox).
 Mount Vernon, to be supplied (by W. J. Carson).
 Fishing Creek, to be supplied (by J. S. Kelley).
 Williamsburg, to be supplied.

18.—LOUISVILLE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GREENSBURG, KY., Sept. 28-Oct. 3, 1870.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; JAMES A. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Granville W. Lyon, Leroy Hirschburg, George Froh, James M. Phillips, David Bowles. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Joseph W. Mitchell, Robert W. Stone, Wm. T. Moore, Joseph W. Love, John W. Lewis, Josiah Godbey, Gabriel S. King, Robert D. Bennett, Alex. G. Frazier, Lewis C. Campbell, John F. Williams, George B. Overton, John T. Waters. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Alexander Malone. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

W. R. Godbey, Wilson Williams, Thomas C. Berry, Benj. D. Griffin, G. W. Gilmore, George F. Cundiff, Val. P. Thomas, Sam. L. Lee. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Henry C. McQuown. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Thomas G. Bosley. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Thomas C. Berry, Frank G. Brodie, Richard C. Love. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

George F. Cundiff, Val. P. Thomas, Samuel L. Lee, George W. Gilmore, Benj. D. Griffin. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

George F. Cundiff, Samuel L. Lee, Val. P. Thomas, George W. Gilmore, Benjamin D. Griffin. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Ransom Martin, George J. Ingram, Henry C. Huffaker, S. H. Hodges. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Ransom Martin, Henry C. Huffaker, Joseph Williams. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

R. F. Hayes, Edwin R. Harrison, Samuel H. Lovelace, T. C. Berry, William T. Davenport, Frank. G. Brodie, Wilbur L. King. 7.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Richard F. Hayes, Ed. R. Harrison, Samuel H. Lovelace, William T. Davenport, Thomas C. Berry, Frank G. Brodie, Wilbur L. King. 7.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Gabriel J. Bean, William Hoskinson, Wm. H. White. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Wm. Hoskinson, Wm. H. White, Jerome B. Landrum, Solomon J. Nichols. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

H. N. Hobbs, W. Childers, G. R. Browder, G. W. Gilmore, W. W. Mann, M. N. Lasley. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

A. A. Morrison, A. L. Alderson, W. H. Morrison, Thomas Bottomley, John B. Perry, Allison Akin, Joel Peak, A. McCown. 8.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Robert Y. McReynolds, Littleberry P. Crenshaw. 2.

ROBERT YOUNG McREYNOLDS was born in Allen county, Ky., in 1808. He was converted to God in his 16th year, and immediately joined the Methodist Church. He began to preach in his 19th year, and was admitted on trial in the Kentucky Conference in the autumn of 1829. He continued to labor in the Kentucky Conference until 1840, when he was transferred to the Rock River Conference, and was stationed at Galena. In 1841 he was transferred back to Kentucky, and continued in the regular work until 1845, when, deeming it his duty, he located, and went home to take care of his aged father, mother, and the younger children. He remained local, attending to the wants of the family, until 1867, when he was readmitted into the Louisville Conference, and appointed to Portland. In 1868 he was sent to the Shepherdsville Circuit, and in 1869 to the Litchfield Circuit. He was suffering from disease of the heart, and the labors and exposures of this last field were too much for him. In June he was forced to give up preaching. Dr. E. T. Polk, of Louisville, an

old friend, kindly wrote, inviting him to his house. He came accordingly, and the Doctor, besides prescribing for him, threw open his house to him, and spared neither pains nor expense to make him comfortable. Beside disease of the heart, there was aneurism of the artery in the neck, and he sunk rapidly. Aug. 23, 1870, at 12 m., all arterial action ceased, and he was gone, almost literally dying in the Doctor's arms. Brother McReynolds died in the sixty-second year of his age, and in the forty-third of his ministry, having never married. He was a benevolent man, and took, brought up, and educated some half-dozen orphan children. Of these some were present, kindly ministering to him in his last illness. While local, he was always preaching and laboring for the good of the people of a large scope of country. He was a cheerful, happy Christian, very zealous and useful in the ministry, and childlike and confiding in his disposition. Owing to the nature of his disease, he was not in his right mind, except a moment at a time, for several days; but he was quiet all the time, and when in his right mind, spoke with great confidence of his hopes of heaven.

LITTLEBERRY PORTER CRENSHAW was born in Barren county, Ky., Feb. 22, 1824. He was educated and studied law in Glasgow, the county town of Barren. February 15, 1846, he married Mrs. Edmonia Hawkins Star, of Glasgow. This excellent woman labored and prayed for his conversion, and finally had the happiness of seeing him powerfully converted to God. He felt he was called to preach, and was licensed for that purpose. Giving up the law, he applied and was received into the Louisville Conference, Oct., 1855, at Greenville, Ky., and appointed to Shippingport, a suburb of Louisville. Here, aided by his good wife, all the people were visited, became interested, and a revival of religion soon began, resulting in nearly one hundred additions to the Society, and the building of a new church-edifice. In 1856 he was appointed to Columbia Circuit, where he had another gracious revival. The following two years he was at Elkton; and went thence to Hopkinsville, where he spent two years of great usefulness. He regarded those four years as the most pleasant of his life. He was next appointed Presiding Elder of Bardstown District, where he spent one year; and then, because of feeble health, asked for lighter work, and was sent to Bardstown Station. This year, 1863, he had the misfortune to lose his excellent wife. In 1864, he was at Elizabethtown, and was returned to it a second year. His field of labor for 1866 was Russellville Station. In 1867 he was appointed Agent of the American Bible Society for the western half of Kentucky, and continued in this work until July last, when his health utterly gave way, and he tendered his resignation and went to the house of his mother, in Portland, Ky., where, on the 7th of November, 1869, his earthly career closed. During the whole period of his long confinement he manifested the greatest patience in suffering, and often spoke of his

glorious prospects for the future. His end was calm and peaceful, and he rests with God. Brother Crenshaw was a tenderly affectionate husband, a kind parent, a judicious, safe man, a preacher of considerably more than ordinary ability, and during the fourteen years of his ministry won many trophies for the Saviour.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Louisville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Louisville:			
Broadway.....	300	.....	2
Chestnut.....	342	.....	3
Walnut.....	430	.....	3
Shelby.....	382	.....	3
Twelfth Street.....	320	.....	1
Portland.....	140	.....	2
Asbury.....	191	.....	2
City Mission.....	65	.....	.....
Louisville Circuit.....	273	.....	1
Middletown.....	130	.....	.....
Jeffersonville, Ind.....	48	.....	.....
	2621	.....	17

Hardinsburg District.

Hardinsburg Circuit.....	263	.....	.....
Big Spring.....	412	.....	2
Brandenburg.....	192	1	1
Hawesville.....	460	10	4
Hartford.....	525	.....	5
Cromwell.....	296	.....	1
Hudsonville.....	448	.....	4
Litchfield.....	280	.....	3
West Point.....	187	.....	5
Cloverport and Holt's (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Caneyville Mission.....	3	.....	.....
	3066	11	25

Bardstown District.

Bardstown Station.....	118	1	1
Lebanon and Springfield.....	95	.....	.....
Bradfordsville.....	281	1	.....
New Haven.....	298	10	.....
Elizabethtown.....	130	.....	1
Sonora.....	315	.....	3
Bacon Creek (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Munfordsville.....	360	1	2
Cave City.....	467	.....	5
Shepherdsville.....	100	.....	.....
Chapel Ridge.....	115	3	.....
Jeffersontown.....	440	.....	1
	2719	16	13

Hopkinsville District.

Hopkinsville Station.....	115	.....	.....
La Fayette Circuit.....	146	.....	1
Cadiz.....	310	.....	3
Princeton.....	274	.....	1
Eddyville.....	335	.....	1
Smithland Station.....	87	.....	1
Smithland Circuit.....	268	.....	4
Salem.....	275	2	2
Tradewater & Pond River Mission.....	466	.....	8
Marion Circuit.....	272	.....	1
Parkersville.....	260	.....	.....
	2808	2	22

Russellville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Russellville Station	236	17	1
Russellville Circuit	432	.....	3
Logan	300	.....	1
Elkton	290	.....	5
Trenton (no report) .....	.....	.....	.....
Fairview	360	.....	3
Todd	225	.....	.....
Auburn	276	.....	3
Allensville	216	.....	.....
Greenville	662	.....	4
	2997	17	20

Bowling-green District.

Bowling-green Station	180
Bowling-green Circuit	236	16	2
Bowling-green Mission	200	.....	.....
Franklin Station	140	.....	2
Franklin Circuit	424	22	5
Newroe	430	.....	2
Scottsville	640	8	2
Oakland	380	42	5
Tompkinsville	352	28	5
Brownsville Mission	244	.....	3
Morgantown	137	.....	1
Glasgow	300	.....	2
	3663	116	29

Greensburg District.

Greensburg Circuit	420	2	2
Columbia	565	17	4
Burksville	322	.....	3
Albany	660	15	2
Wayne	560	30	5
Campbellsville	348	.....	2
Mannsville	352	.....	2
Cumberland Mission	114	6	2
Jamestown Circuit	375	26	2
Buffalo	225	.....	1
Edmonton	165	.....	2
Neatsville Mission	124	.....	.....
	4230	96	27

Henderson District.

Henderson Station	131	.....	1
Henderson Circuit	360	.....	5
Owensboro Station	280	.....	1
Owensboro Circuit	121	.....	.....
Morganfield	220	.....	2
Caseyville	250	.....	3
Madisonville	350	.....	8
Rumsey	340	.....	3
Ashbysburg	430	.....	1
Dixon	170	.....	3
Calhoun	356	.....	3
Yelvington	286	4	3
	3294	4	33

Recapitulation.

Louisville District	2621	.....	17
Hardinsburg "	3066	11	25
Bardstown "	2719	16	13
Hopkinsville "	2808	2	22
Russellville "	2997	17	20
Bowling-green "	3663	116	29
Greensburg "	4230	96	27
Henderson "	3294	4	33
Total this year	25,398	262	186
Total last year	25,306	485	196
Increase	92	.....	.....
Decrease .....	.....	223	10

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
655.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1326.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
175.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1135.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
9449.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1852 90

Applied as follows:

To Joel Peak,	\$ 92 90
To J. B. Perry,	137 25
To A. Akin,	91 50
To Sister Lewis,	137 25
To Sister Hicks,	228 75
To Sister Moore,	282 00
To Sister King,	73 20
To Sister Owen,	283 00
To Sister Wilson,	183 00
To Sister Knowles,	91 50
To Brother Moore's children,	91 50
To Brother Gooch's children,	91 50
To Sister Davis,	69 55

\$1852 90

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$4074 75.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Bowling-green, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.

G. W. Brush, P. E.

Louisville:

Broadway, R. H. Rivers, R. Deering, Sup.
Chestnut Street, B. M. Messick.
Walnut Street, Henry C. Settle.
Shelby Street, E. W. Sehon.
Twelfth Street, J. S. Scobee.
Portland and Twenty-first Street, T. C. Berry.
Kavanaugh and Thirteenth Street, J. W. Mitchell.
Asbury Chapel, to be supplied.
Louisville Circuit, D. Spurrier.
Meadow Lawn, J. M. Lawson.
Middletown, H. C. Morrison.
Louisville City Mission, George Froh.
Book Agent, A. H. Redford.

ELIZABETHTOWN DISTRICT.

G. H. Hayes, P. E.

Elizabethtown, R. F. Hayes.
 Big Spring Circuit, S. C. Allen.
 Brandenburg, S. H. Lovelace.
 Hardinsburg, S. L. Murrell.
 Litchfield, Val. P. Thomas.
 Caneyville Mission, Silas Spurrier.
 Hodgenville, J. D. Barnett.
 Hudsonville, H. N. Hobbs, Sup.
 West Point, G. W. Overton.
 Shepherdsville, A. G. Frazer.
 Salt River Mission, J. T. Waters.
 Jeffersontown Circuit, J. P. Goodson.

OWENSBORO DISTRICT.

J. R. Dempsey, P. E.

Owensboro, J. S. Malone.
 Owensboro Circuit, G. W. Lyon.
 Yelvington, W. B. Maxey.
 Calhoun, J. L. Edrington.
 Hartford, C. Y. Boggess.
 Cromwell, to be supplied (by J. L. Brown).
 Mount Vernon, R. D. Bennett.
 Livermore, to be supplied.
 Hawesville, E. W. Bottomley.
 Cloverport Station, F. B. Rodgers.

HENDERSON DISTRICT.

T. C. Frogge, P. E.

Henderson, J. S. Woolls.
 Henderson Circuit, W. W. Cook.
 Morganfield, A. C. De Witt.
 Caseyville, R. C. Love.
 Madisonville, T. C. Peters.
 Ashbysburg, to be supplied (by J. C. Norman).
 Sacramento, S. L. Lee.
 Greenville, R. Y. Thomas.
 Dixon, to be supplied (by E. Thurmon).
 Charleston Mission, to be supplied.

PRINCETON DISTRICT.

L. B. Davison, P. E.

Princeton Circuit, W. F. Harwell, W. Childers, Sup.
 Cadiz, P. T. Hardison.
 La Fayette, B. A. Cundiff.
 Parkersville, G. S. King.
 Eddyville, G. W. Crumbaugh.
 Gainesburg Mission, to be supplied.
 Smithland, F. G. Brodie.
 Smithland Circuit, W. T. Reid.
 Salem, W. T. Moore.
 Marion, R. W. Stone.
 Fredonia, Leroy Hirschburg.
 Empire Mission, to be supplied.

RUSSELLVILLE DISTRICT.

H. M. Ford, P. E.

Russellville, W. F. Easterling.
 Logan Circuit, Robert Fisk, W. E. Evans, Sup.
 Allensville, J. C. Petre, G. R. Browder, Sup.

Auburn and Bibb's Chapel, L. C. Campbell.
 Henryville Circuit, William Alexander.
 Cave Spring, R. B. McCown.
 Elkton, J. A. Lewis.
 Trenton Mission, to be supplied.
 Fairview, E. M. Crow.
 Hopkinsville, J. W. Price.
 Todd, B. D. Griffin.
 Logan Female College, N. H. Lee, President;
 D. Morton, Agent.

BOWLING-GREEN DISTRICT.

I. W. Emerson, P. E.

Bowling-green, J. W. Shelton.
 Bowling-green Circuit, T. D. Lewis.
 North Bowling-green, M. M. Hunter.
 Franklin, T. J. Randolph.
 Franklin Circuit, T. G. Harrison.
 Glasgow, J. W. Lewis.
 Oakland, J. J. Ruddell.
 Brownsville, to be supplied (by W. C. Slate).
 Scottsville, H. C. McQuown, G. W. Gilmore, Sup.
 Newroe, David Bowles.
 Morgantown Mission, to be supplied.
 Board of Education, J. F. Redford, Agent.

GREENSBURG DISTRICT.

John S. McGee, P. E.

Greensburg Circuit, J. S. McDaniel.
 Bardstown, to be supplied (by A. K. Cox).
 Lebanon, E. R. Harrison.
 Bradfordsville, D. H. Linebaugh.
 New Haven, C. D. Donaldson.
 Campbellsville, G. F. Cundiff.
 Taylor Circuit, P. A. Edwards.
 Buffalo, W. T. Davenport.
 Munfordsville, to be supplied (by W. W. Lambuth).
 Cave City, Silas Newton.
 Bacon Creek, W. L. King.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

R. C. Alexander, P. E.

Columbia, W. Williams.
 Glasgow Circuit, to be supplied, G. W. Gilmore, Sup.
 Tompkinsville, to be supplied (by W. C. Bond).
 Burksville, D. S. Campbell.
 Bear Creek, to be supplied (by Chas. Smith).
 Albany, J. W. Love.
 Wayne, W. R. Godbey.
 Jamestown, to be supplied (by S. J. Nichols).
 Edmonton, Josiah Godbey.
 Liberty Mission, J. T. Williams.
 Cumberland, J. M. Phillips.

INDIANA DISTRICT.

T. G. Bosley, P. E.

J. Ditzler, transferred to Kentucky Conference, and appointed Superintendent of Indiana Missions.
 J. A. Henderson, transferred to Kentucky Conference, and stationed at Simpsonville.

19.—ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BOONVILLE, MO., Sept. 28—Oct. 5, 1870.

BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; W. M. PROTTSMAN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Benjamin S. Robbins, Thomas J. Stringfield, M. G. McAllister, Hibbard Briggs, Dixon F. Gouley, Charles E. Devinney. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John H. St. Clair, W. M. Shelton, Thomas D. Payne, John R. Eddleman, Richard J. Derrick, Wm. C. Montgomery, Joseph A. Russell, C. D. Davis, Sydney Richmond, J. C. Alexander, D. P. Meacham, W. E. Woodard. 12.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

A. J. Hartle, R. D. Poole. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

George H. Williamson, George W. Hull, Calvin C. Wright, William M. Bewley, Thomas P. Hill. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

W. B. McFarland, John T. Crandall, John H. Headler. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Marcus Arrington, George A. Shaeffer, N. G. Berryman, L. M. Lewis, W. M. Leftwich, J. H. Linn, J. F. Scurlock, J. O. Church. 8.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

D. P. Meacham, Richard J. Derrick. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

John H. St. Clair, George W. Hull, J. C. Alexander, William M. Bewley. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

John H. St. Clair, George W. Hull, J. C. Alexander, William M. Bewley. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Addison P. Brown, John D. Wood, L. L. Moore, William M. R. ler. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Addison P. Brown, John D. Wood, Robert M. Simmons. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Willis F. Graves. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Willis F. Graves. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

E. K. Porter, Coleman L. Bridges, J. H. Ross, Jackson F. Box, Milton G. McAllister, J. C. Baldwin. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Edwin K. Porter, Coleman L. Bridges, John H. Ross, Milton G. McAllister. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Alvin Rucker, W. F. Graves, L. Pulliam. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Josiah McCary, R. C. Meek, T. G. Atchison, Joseph Boyle, C. F. Dryden, G. H. Clinton. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

W. R. Babcock, Christian Eaker, S. S. Colburn, Wm. Holmes, John Thomas, N. T. Shaler. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

William A. Smith. 1.

WILLIAM ANDREW SMITH was born in Fredericksburg, Va., November 29, 1802. He became doubly an orphan at a tender age. First, he lost his mother, a pious Methodist, who, with her dying breath, prayed God to make her son a preacher of the glorious gospel of Christ. He did not learn this fact until he had spent several years in the work of the ministry. The fourth year of his connection with the Virginia Conference he was stationed in Lynchburg; and when he was there introduced to Mother Essex, the venerable widow of one of our preachers, the old lady gazed wistfully on her new pastor, and asked, "Is this not Andrew Smith?" for that was the name his parents gave him. Discovering that this noble young preacher was indeed the son of her former friend, on whose last illness she had waited, she told him of the dying prayer, which was now fulfilled before her eyes. He was deeply affected, and ever after felt the mother's blessing and consecration on his head. With a moist eye and a quivering lip he related to me this incident a few weeks before his death. His father was a man of honorable character and position, but not a professor of religion. There hangs over his sudden death and the loss of his valuable property to his children a mystery which I cannot solve. For a time the orphan boy fell into rough hands. Mr. Hill, a worthy merchant of Petersburg, had been a warm friend of the father. So soon as he became acquainted with the unfortunate condition of Andrew, he took him to his own home and brought him up as one of his own children. Dr. Smith retained through life a most grateful

and affectionate recollection of Mr. and Mrs. Hill. At a school in Petersburg he received a good English education, and began the study of the classics, which the arduous duties of his subsequent career never afforded him the opportunity to resume. I have heard one of his schoolmates speak admirably and fondly of him as he was then—a bold, frank, impetuous boy; kindly and not quarrelsome, yet quick to repel injustice against himself or any comrade. He left school to enter the store of his benefactor. About this time he conceived a preference for the Methodists, and became a teacher in their Sabbath-school. In the study of the Scriptures, for the purpose of instructing his class, the first deep religious impressions were made on his heart: this was the means of his awakening. He happened to overhear a negro in a lumber-room explain to his son the way of salvation by faith. This conversation quickened and enlightened his own mind on the subject, and was the immediate occasion of his seeking Christ with all the heart. Straightway he went to a godly layman, opened to him his heart, and with characteristic thoroughness of investigation, asked questions and suggested difficulties about the meaning of faith until his friend was sore puzzled. However, he took the inquirer to a prayer-meeting, and though he was not taught there the philosophy of believing, after he returned home, in the stillness of the night, in the privacy of his chamber, there came into his soul the peace of God which passeth all understanding—came in a way he comprehended not. He was then seventeen years of age, and immediately joined the M. E. Church. He soon felt that he was called of God to the office of the ministry, and earnestly desired to attend William and Mary College, that he might qualify himself for the more efficient prosecution of his life-work. Compelled to abandon this hope by lack of means, but firmly resolved to devote himself to the work of the ministry, and to prepare himself to the best of his ability, he studied privately one year at the home of his uncle, Mr. John Porter, in the county of Orange, and taught a private school two or three years in Madison county. I suppose that there he was licensed and began to preach. I am told his first attempts were failures. It is certain that he rapidly rose to eminence in the pulpit. In 1824 he traveled the Gloucester Circuit under the Presiding Elder; in February, 1825, he was admitted on trial into the Virginia Conference, and returned to Gloucester; in 1826 he was sent to Amherst Circuit. The next year he was stationed in Petersburg, where he had been brought up. This was a severe ordeal for so inexperienced a minister; but he at once commanded the respect of the community that had recently known him as a boy, and served the Church with signal reputation and success. I cannot state the stations which he filled in their regular order of time, but will pause to describe him in the freshness of his youth and the prime of his manly vigor. I am indebted to others for my knowledge of him as he was at that period, for when I, in my boyhood, first saw him he was a cripple. From my

earliest recollection his has been to me a dear, honored, and familiar "household name." Under his pastorate my father was converted and received into the Church, and in the spring of 1841, also was led by his ministry to the exercise of saving trust in Christ, and taken into the fellowship of saints. At Randolph Macon I was his pupil; two years that I was chaplain of the college I lived in his house. From that time a son could scarcely have been admitted into more intimate and confidential relations with him. The last two months of his life he spent at my home, and there I watched him as he closed his eyes. Partly from the many accounts I have heard of his earlier days, and partly from my personal acquaintance, I am probably prepared to give a correct estimate of his character and labors. I can imagine the young preacher, noble in form and face (none nobler than he, say his contemporaries), vigorous and agile in body, frank, fearless, and enterprising in spirit, dignified and thoughtful in manner. The first glance revealed to the observer manly strength—strength physical, strength intellectual, strength of feeling and of will. He was a hard student, an earnest thinker, a Christian philosopher, yet not a recluse, but a man of action and influence with the people. He was always revolving some grand theme in his mind—a habit which sometimes gave him an air of abstraction in company and on the street. He was mighty in the Scriptures to expound, defend, and enforce. His sermons were able discussions of the cardinal doctrines of the gospel, full of matter, instructive, in reasoning luminous and forcible. It was impossible not to understand him—well-nigh impossible not to be convinced. Those who sat regularly under his ministry had a rare opportunity to become rooted and grounded in the faith. He was more a logician than an orator, yet his logic was not cold and dry, but steeped in emotion and aglow with zeal. In those days he was truly eloquent; was not sparkling, but weighty; not imperative, but argumentative; not hortatory, but didactic and convincing. On the basis of great truths, which he set forth with the clearness of sunlight and established with power of argument, he appealed strongly, sometimes overwhelmingly, to the conscience and the heart. Neither then nor to the last were his discourses easily forgotten; the train of thought remained in the mind of the hearer long after the voice of the speaker died upon the ear. Dr. Smith was an excellent pastor. He threw his whole mind and soul—a strong mind and large soul—into his duties. He knew how to kindle the zeal of the Church, arouse the community, instruct the inquirer, guide and help a tender and troubled conscience, comfort the feeble-minded and inspire with hope the desponding. The afflicted of his flock found him far more sympathetic than the public supposed, for in that strong frame there beat a tender heart. His ministry was blessed with powerful revivals in Lynchburg, Norfolk, Petersburg, and probably in other places. He was judicious in conducting them, and no man excelled him in untiring diligence and fidelity.

Of the hundreds who were converted through his labors, an unusually large proportion proved to be of the best material for the solid and permanent edification of the Church. I wish that I could give the long list of ministers, of our own and sister Churches—some dead, others still living, not a few eminent—who acknowledged him as their spiritual father. I will mention two—Anthony Dibrell and Leroy M. Lee. Dr. Smith attracted great attention wherever he lived and labored, not only within his own charge, but in the general community. Cheerful, but not light—social, but never idle—he mingled freely with men of every class, of other denominations, and of no ecclesiastical ties; but he did not forget the sacredness of his office and the gravity of his one mission—to save souls. The elevation and purity of his character, the vigor and clearness of his intellect, his generous scorn of all that was mean, and love of all that was just and good, the candor and independence, as well as ability with which he avowed and maintained his opinions, impressed all who knew him, and caused him to be held in high honor and to wield a wide influence. Dr. Smith, when yet a young man, took a prominent position in his Conference. Whatever he thought he boldly spoke, not watching to see how it would be received by the fathers and brethren; and the views he expressed he knew how to defend with almost irresistible power. Few could cope with him in debate—to none was he inferior. He never sought, so far as I know, to carry or defeat any measure by mere personal influence or private entreaty; he used no unfair, no indirect means; he despised *ad captandum* appeals and sophistry; he had even too little policy. But he spoke from strong convictions, and relied with full confidence on the truth of his positions and the force of his arguments. If he could not succeed in making others see that he was right, he was willing that they should vote against him. I have never heard his equal as a debater and an advocate. His fame in these respects was not limited to his own Conference. He was a delegate to the General Conference of the M. E. Church of 1832, and to every subsequent session down to the celebrated and eventful one of 1844; he was a member of the Louisville Convention which organized the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and of all the General Conferences of this Church. In the appeal of Harding, in the extrajudicial trial of Bishop Andrew, and on other occasions, he won a national reputation for the highest deliberative and forensic eloquence. His manner was simple, unstudied, and natural; he was too full of his subject to think of mere style or elocution; he spoke with evident sincerity, fearlessness, and intense ardor; his voice was like the thunder. In 1833 he became agent to raise money for Randolph Macon College, then in its infancy, and for a few months prosecuted that work with his wonted energy and success. In September of that year, just before proceeding to a camp-meeting in the county of Louisa, in a conversation with Rev. Ethelbert Drake, in this city (Richmond), he mentioned a strangely vivid presentiment that

some dreadful event would soon befall him or one of his friends. While preaching on the camp-ground, the same conviction or feeling came upon him with the suddenness and power of lightning, so that he broke off from the plan of his sermon, and informed the audience of his impression, that either death or some terrible accident overhung the speaker or one of them. With startling impressiveness he warned them to be ready; they listened with breathless attention and strong emotion. After the sermon, in company with certain relatives, he started off in a carriage, himself driving, for the house in the neighborhood where his wife was stopping. Turning his head to hear the conversation of those within, he neglected the horses, and presently a wheel passed over a stump in the road; the carriage upset and fell on him, he was dragged a number of yards, and when help came it was found that his right thigh was broken and his left hip dislocated. There followed a protracted and painful confinement to his bed, and he was badly lamed for life. It was his belief that God sent him the presentiment to put him on his guard, and that his own inattention to the warning brought on him the calamity from which he never recovered. After this accident Dr. Smith was never able to walk with comfort, but his energy was unabated. He continued to fill the chief stations in the Virginia Conference until the fall of 1846. The urgency of the Board of Trustees, sanctioned by the Conference, then prevailed on him to accept the Presidency of Randolph Macon College. This institution was then amid the breakers. Not only were the annual expenses in excess of the receipts; not only did it labor under debt, but internal dissensions had broken up the Faculty, in part, and driven away nearly all the students. Despondency had seized the hearts of its founders and friends. It was precisely this state of affairs which led to the selection of Dr. Smith by the Trustees, and his acceptance. He had the courage, the resolution, and energy, to undertake any work for the good of the Church which was needed and not impossible. Difficulties did not daunt his brave and hopeful spirit, and he shrank from no toil and self-sacrifice. It soon appeared that a strong hand had seized the helm, and that the vessel would be saved from wreck. Twenty years Dr. Smith held this office, and, I may say, was the College. As the head of its government, contrary to the preconceptions of the public, he was gentle, forbearing, full of sympathy, as easy of access, as ready to forgive, as watchful over the interests and tender of the feelings of the students as a father among his children; if he erred, it was on the side of leniency. He bore those youths on his heart while they stayed at college, as his eye followed their fortunes after they left, with the profoundest interest. As Professor of Rhetoric, Logic, Mental and Moral Philosophy, he was satisfied neither with his own attainments nor with the course of study which had been hitherto pursued. All the time he could snatch from those active duties, which were imperative and engrossing, he devoted to mastering the best

works on the subjects embraced in his Chair, and to original thought, for he was not a mere receiver of other men's opinions. With great labor and patience he prepared a system of lectures to cover the entire ground, and at the same time added to the number of text-books which his classes were required to study, or substituted fuller and more difficult books for those previously used. It was a dull brain which he could not excite to thought and interest about the themes of his lectures, and the studious and capable made sure and rapid progress under his guidance. His services to the College were not restricted, however, to the ordinary duties of a President and Professor. Sometimes during the sessions, but chiefly during the vacations, he traveled extensively through the bounds of the Conference, alone or in company with the zealous and able agents of the College, making public speeches on its behalf, and raising collections to pay its debts and create an endowment. The number of students steadily increased, and an endowment fund of \$100,000 in cash or in reliable bonds was obtained through the joint efforts of the President and Agents; and when the war began, in the spring of 1861, Randolph Macon was a flourishing institution. The religious influence of Dr. Smith over the young men who gathered to its halls was very happy. He often preached in the chapel and in the village of Boynton; he attended their prayer-meetings, he was the judicious counselor and cheerful assistant of every chaplain; he talked privately to the students about their morals and spiritual religion. The revivals which annually occurred there, and the sound piety of hundreds of young men who went forth from the College to fill useful positions in the land, many of them to preach the gospel, were due in a large measure to his labors. The stern exigencies of war emptied those classic halls upon the fields of battle. When peace returned, in the fall of 1865, the College was reopened. As the students were few, and not sufficiently advanced for the department of Moral Science, Dr. Smith was appointed to Randolph Macon Circuit. Though in feeble health, he performed all his duties, pastoral as well as of the pulpit, with an assiduity and fidelity which his younger brethren might well imitate. In the summer of 1866 he resigned the Presidency of the College, and in the fall was transferred to the St. Louis Conference. This was an important change for a man of his age. He could not, without a severe struggle, sever his connection with the Conference of which he had been so influential and honored a member for more than forty years, and with whose history he had been so closely identified all that time. Weighty considerations induced this move, but the ruling motive was the hope, based on the earnest counsel of judicious brethren in Missouri, that he might accomplish a needed work for the Church in the great and growing West. No other State could supplant his own Virginia—no new associations fill the place of life-long friendships; nevertheless, he received a hearty welcome, and with the enthusiasm and enterprise of his great soul, bent all his powers to

the promotion of Methodism in Missouri. Two years he served Centenary Church in St. Louis. I have evidence that he preached the truth in the demonstration of the Spirit and of power, and that his labors were highly prized. Then came the last chapter, the closing glory of his eventful and useful career. He was called to the arduous task of reviving Central College, and of establishing it on a broad and sure foundation. Every argument of personal ease and comfort was against the acceptance of this responsibility. But it was urged that the College was essential to the prosperity of our Church in Missouri, and that he was the man to raise it from death into a more vigorous life than it had ever enjoyed. No one had a higher appreciation than he of the importance of our institutions of learning; and when Bishop Marvin, Dr. Finney, and others pleaded with him, as he loved the Church, to undertake this mighty work, he could not resist. He was elected President of the College; but, first, it must be furnished with suitable buildings and apparatus, and largely endowed. He thought not of failure, he feared no difficulties; he moved straight on to success. The same grand addresses on the necessity of education, hallowed by religion, and of an educated ministry, which had enchained and stirred vast audiences in his native State, fell with equal effect on the people of Missouri. It was no small triumph, it demanded no little power, to raise near \$100,000 in the course of a few months. But this was only the beginning of the grand plan of Dr. Smith. He intended, he fully expected, to establish not an ordinary College, but a Methodist University, with an ample endowment, a complete curriculum, and a first-rate Faculty. He would not have been content with less than \$250,000; he would not have rested until that amount was secured. But God did not design that he should carry out his own scheme. I trust that He will raise up men to fulfill the largest hopes of our departed brother. His strong constitution succumbed under his too heavy labors. In October, 1868, he was attacked with dysentery, which became chronic, and was afterward complicated with other disorders. Dr. Smith was not the man easily to yield to sickness. He battled with it, and continued his toils as long as possible. Leave of absence being kindly given him by the curators of the College, he visited Virginia last summer, accompanied by his devoted wife, in hope of recovering his health by the aid of the mountain air and celebrated springs of the Old Dominion. He seemed to improve for a time, but the disease was incurable. He came to Richmond during the session of our Conference in November. With sad hearts we looked on the ghastly face of our venerable father and friend: unchanged in mind and heart, in body he was the wreck of his former self. The last two months of his life he was confined to his room, and for the most part to his bed. He did not suffer much physical pain, but his nervous system was shattered, and his restlessness and depression on this account often extreme. He received the greatest attention from numerous

friends, both of his own Church and the general community, and they spared no pains to make him as comfortable as possible. He delighted in society, and would seem himself again, the noble Christian sage and leader, as with kindling eye and voice, that had not wholly lost its old tone of authority, he discussed at length the sublime truths of the gospel and the interests of our Church. With special unction and power did he dwell on the declaration of John, "God is love." His friends saw that he steadily grew worse, but this fact he did not understand. He felt that there was life in him yet, and he hoped soon to return West and complete the enterprise on which his heart was set—the building up of the great Missouri College. He had a hard fight with death, and if strength of will could have availed in the struggle, he would not have been conquered. He believed that his work was not yet finished, and therefore he was loth to die. But this desire to live did not conflict with his entire resignation to the will of God and an assured hope of eternal life. He expressed himself fully on this subject. In his youth he had given his heart to Christ, and though he had often erred, he never recalled that act of self-surrender, nor did his trust in his Saviour waver. His mind was full of peace in the prospect of the eternal hereafter. It was a lake embosomed in a deep forest: the rough winds could not find it, but there it lay with an unruffled surface. This is the beautiful figure by which he described the state of his mind. He was fond of hearing the sweet songs of Zion, and they wafted him to the pearly gates of the New Jerusalem. The last few days he was so feeble, and a bronchial cough so constantly harassed him, that he could say but little. "I have so much to say to you," he whispered in my ear, "but I can't say it now." He retained the clearness of his faculties until a few hours before his death; almost without a struggle he fell asleep in Jesus on Tuesday, March 1, at 4 A.M. A large and deeply-affected congregation filled Centenary Church on the day of his funeral. Bishop Doggett preached an impressive and appropriate sermon on 1 Cor. xv. 57: "But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." Dr. Lee, his friend and spiritual son, added a brief sketch of his life. The Rev. G. W. Nolley, who entered the Virginia Conference at the same session with Dr. Smith, and other ministers, assisted in the solemn services. The Faculty and students of Randolph Macon, the Masonic Fraternity, and a large procession of friends followed him to Hollywood, and in that beautiful sleeping-place of the dead, in the lot of Brother Wm. Bell, the body of our honored brother reposes in hope of the resurrection. I have mentioned few facts of his private life. He was thrice married—first, to Miss Mahala Miller, of Delaware, a lady of fervent piety and uncommon talent, but feeble health. She was a licensed preacher, and by her modest, winning, melting appeals, did great good. By her he had two daughters, who survive him—Miss Susan, who lives in this city and waited on his last illness, and Mrs. Willie

Fuller, a widow with two children, who lives in Fayette, Mo. His second wife was Miss Laura Brooking, of Richmond, an excellent lady. She left two children, who have since died. He next married Mrs. Eliza V. Williams, of Lynchburg, the wife who, with unwearied fidelity and tenderness, sustained and comforted him through the many months of his fatal illness, who has shared his joys and sorrows more than twenty years; the widow who, in the depths of her grief, needs the special prayers of the Church of God. He leaves also an adopted son, Thos. Skinner Smith, orphaned during the terrible scourge of yellow fever which visited Norfolk in 1855. I cannot forbear to mention the former slaves of the Doctor, who visited him in his illness, and wept with a sorrow which was not only sincere, but deep, over the corpse of their honored master. There was a moral grandeur about Dr. Smith. He was not a finished scholar, but he was decidedly a man of genius. Strength, not grace, was his chief characteristic. He stood in the front rank of the leading minds of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. On the whole, he had no superior, and in many respects he had no equal. His was a warm, generous, expansive heart. Only his intimate friends knew its tenderness, its keen sensibility. When he overbore an antagonist in debate, when he swept aside with a powerful hand everybody that stood in the way of the measures which he advocated, from an honest conviction that they were for the good of the Church, it was easy to conclude that he was severe and imperious. But this is a mistake. He was not obstinate in opinion nor self-willed in action, but easy to be persuaded. No one was readier to hear and take advice, and even reproof, if it were offered in a kindly spirit; no one readier to confess and repair a fault. He did not cherish prejudices and resentments. After his controversies with the Methodist Protestants, who felt a kinder and more brotherly regard for them than he? Prominent and powerful as he was in the stormy discussions which preceded or followed the M. E. Church into a Northern and Southern organization, and fully as he was identified with the States of the South in their disastrous struggle for independence, he always retained a Christian character free from sectional narrowness and from bitterness toward the people of the North, and hoped that fraternal relations, though not union, might be soon established between the two branches of Methodism. He had an almost invincible will, but it showed itself not in stubbornness, not in a determination to rule, but in the fixed resolution and in the unbounded energy to effect whatever the cause of pure religion demanded, despite obstacles which would have discouraged common men and personal sacrifices at which they would have staggered. He served not himself, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and the Church purchased with his precious blood. In the councils and in the pulpit of the M. E. Church, South, he will be sadly missed; and who can fill his place? But his influence and memory abide. In the hearts of thousands, and on the page of history, the name,

the revered name, of William A. Smith is written, and long shall it endure.

[The foregoing memoir was prepared by the Rev. Dr. Granbery, of the Virginia Conference, and was adopted by the St. Louis Conference.]

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except George H. Williamson, who was expelled for drunkenness.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

St. Louis District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
First Church.....	718	.....	2
Centenary.....	272	.....	2
St. Paul's.....	87	.....	.....
St. John's.....	240	.....	1
St. Louis Circuit.....	252	1	.....
Mount Olive Circuit.....	100	.....	3
Wesley Chapel.....	68	.....	1
Carondelet.....	94	11	1
Fenton.....	70	.....	.....
Manchester.....	87	.....	.....
Meramac and St. Clair.....	155	.....	.....
Labadie.....	148	.....	.....
Washington.....	36	.....	1
Kirkwood.....	51	.....	1
	2378	12	12

Boonville District.

Boonville.....	115	.....	.....
Belle Air.....	277	.....	1
Versailles.....	52	.....	1
Versailles Circuit.....	180	2	1
California.....	281	1	2
Jefferson City.....	75	.....	.....
Jefferson City Circuit.....	200	.....	1
Sedalia.....	160	.....	5
Marshall.....	390	3	2
Arrow Rock.....	119	.....	1
	1849	6	14

Lexington District.

Lexington.....	252	.....	2
Dover.....	280	.....	5
Waverly.....	83	.....	2
Warrensburg.....	60	.....	1
Warrensburg Circuit.....	344	.....	3
Clinton.....	407	1	6
Saline.....	360	4	1
Warsaw.....	181	1	4
	1967	6	24

Kansas City District.

Kansas City.....	180	.....	2
Westport.....	110	3	1
Kansas Circuit.....	120	.....	.....
Independence.....	137	.....	1
Independence Circuit.....	156	.....	2
Pleasant Hill.....	112	.....	2
Wellington.....	338	.....	1
Harrisonville.....	394	1	7
Butler.....	314	.....	4
Deep Water.....	264	.....	4
Columbus.....	420	.....	2
	2545	4	26

Granby District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Cassville.....	260	.....	4
Neosho and Pineville.....	600	.....	3
Mount Vernon.....	168	.....	2
Lamar.....	133	.....	3
Carthage.....	320	.....	4
Baxter Springs (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Montevallo (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Nevada City.....	393	1	4
Little Osage.....	157	.....	2
Fort Scott (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Belvoir.....	67	2	.....
	1998	3	22

Springfield District.

Springfield.....	117	.....	2
Springfield Circuit.....	350	.....	2
Bolivar.....	281	.....	5
Stockton.....	222	.....	1
Osceola.....	88	.....	1
Hermitage.....	86	7	2
Buffalo.....	100	.....	.....
Marshfield.....	229	.....	3
Ozark.....	69	.....	1
Forsyth.....	40	.....	.....
	1582	7	17

Rolla District.

Rolla and St. James.....	37	.....	1
Rolla Circuit.....	145	.....	3
Chamois.....	200	2	1
Bloomgarden.....	285	.....	4
Waynesville.....	115	1	1
Lebanon.....	146	.....	5
Hartville.....	110	.....	3
West Plains.....	173	.....	.....
Thomasville.....	431	.....	5
Salem.....	224	1	5
Houston.....	230	.....	4
	2096	4	32

Potosi District.

Arcadia and Potosi.....	190	.....	1
Caledonia.....	140	.....	1
Caledonia Circuit.....	400	.....	5
Fredericktown.....	589	.....	5
Farmington.....	336	.....	2
Platten.....	215	.....	2
Richmond.....	160	.....	2
Centerville.....	300	.....	5
Mill Creek.....	100	.....	1
Poplar Bluff.....	400	.....	3
Greenville.....	289	.....	4
	3119	.....	31

Charleston District.

Jackson.....	130	2	.....
Benton.....	214	.....	.....
Charleston.....	387	30	3
Wolf Island.....	121	.....	1
New Madrid.....	332	105	1
Gayoso.....	332	64	4
Grand Prairie.....	259	.....	5
West Prairie.....	227	.....	3
Bloomfield.....	430	.....	8
Marble Hill.....	168	.....	.....
Perryville.....	230	.....	1
	2830	201	26

Recapitulation.

St. Louis District.....	2378	12	12
Boonville ".....	1849	6	14
Lexington ".....	1967	6	24

Recapitulation (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Kansas City District	2545	4	26
Granby "	1998	3	22
Springfield "	1582	7	17
Rolla "	2096	4	32
Potosi "	3119	.....	31
Charleston "	2830	201	26
Total this year	20,364	243	204
Total last year	18,538	187	202
Increase	1,826	56	2

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
896.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1343.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
173.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1313.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
10,451.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$7000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2826 00
Applied as follows:

Superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans,	\$2535 00
Contingent fund,	57 33
Reserved,	233 67

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$6512.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

St. Louis, at Centenary Church, St. Louis;
West St. Louis, at Kansas City, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.

Joseph W. Lewis, P. E.

First Church, W. M. Leftwich, Geo. H. Clinton, Sup.

Centenary, J. H. Linn, Joseph Boyle, Sup.

St. John's, F. A. Morris.

St. Paul's, to be supplied.

St. Louis Circuit, W. C. Godbey, one to be supplied.

Mount Olive, to be supplied.

Carondelet, D. R. McAnally.

Wesley Chapel, to be supplied.

Marvin Mission, to be supplied.

Fenton and Manchester, Wesley Browning.

Meramac and St. Clair, J. H. St. Clair.

Labadie, J. N. W. Springer.

Washington, John E. Godbey.

Kirkwood, to be supplied.

Editor St. Louis Christian Advocate, Thomas M. Finney.

ROLLA DISTRICT.

L. W. Powell, P. E.

Rolla and St. James, J. S. Frazier.

Miller's Landing Circuit, to be supplied.

Cuba Circuit, to be supplied.

Salem Circuit, J. R. Eddleman.

Licking Circuit, Wesley E. Woodard.

Houston Circuit, to be supplied.

West Plains Circuit, John T. Crandall.

Thomasville Circuit, to be supplied.

Mill Creek Circuit, to be supplied.

Van Buren Circuit, to be supplied.

Steelville Circuit, to be supplied.

POTOSI DISTRICT.

John C. Williams, P. E.

Arcadia, J. C. Berryman, W. M. Shelton.

Iron Mountain Circuit, D. J. Marquis.

Caledonia Circuit, W. M. Williams.

Platten Circuit, W. M. Bewley.

Farmington Circuit, G. W. Hull.

Fredericktown Station, Joseph Dines.

Fredericktown Circuit, Thomas J. Stringfield.

Centerville Circuit, to be supplied.

Perryville Circuit, Andrew Peace.

De Soto Circuit, M. G. McAllister.

Millersville Circuit, Charles E. Devinney.

Poplar Bluff, Joseph A. Russell.

Patterson Circuit, Sydney Richmond.

Arcadia College, L. M. Lewis, President.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

J. H. Headlee, P. E.

Charleston Circuit, H. S. Watts.

East Prairie Circuit, B. S. Robbins.

New Madrid Circuit, D. P. Meacham.

Benton Circuit, L. F. Aspley.

Gayoso Circuit, to be supplied.

Grand Prairie Circuit, to be supplied.

West Prairie Circuit, to be supplied.

Bloomfield Circuit, to be supplied, T. G. Atchison, Sup.

Marble Hill Circuit, M. Arrington.

Greenville Circuit, S. A. Ritchie.

Jackson Circuit, Wm. Alexander.

West St. Louis Conference.**BOONVILLE DISTRICT.**

M. M. Pugh, P. E.

Boonville Station, C. P. Jones.

Beile Air Circuit, G. A. Shaeffer.

Arrow Rock and Marshall, M. G. Williams.

Marshall Circuit, A. M. Rader.

Sedalia Circuit, Josiah Godbey.

Versailles Station, to be supplied.

Versailles Circuit, to be supplied.

Jefferson City Station, to be supplied.

Jefferson City Circuit, to be supplied.
California and Tipton, W. F. Mister.
California Circuit, J. P. Gibson.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

J. R. Bennett, P. E.

Lexington Station, A. G. Stacy.
Dover Circuit, John C. Shackelford.
Waverly Station, J. F. Scurlock.
Warrensburg Station, to be supplied.
Blackwater and Brownsville, W. B. McFarland.
Warrensburg Circuit, N. M. Talbott.
Clinton Circuit, John B. H. Wooldridge, Josiah McCary, Sup.
Saline Circuit, Milton Adkisson.
Cambridge Circuit, N. G. Berryman.
Warsaw Circuit, C. D. Davis.
Grand Pass Circuit, to be supplied.
Marvin Female Institute, J. O. Church, President; J. R. Bennett, Agent.

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.

S. S. Bryant, P. E.

Kansas City Station, C. D. N. Campbell.
Kansas City Circuit, J. T. Perry, R. C. Meek, Sup.
Westport and West Kansas City Circuit, N. Scarritt and J. C. Alexander.
Independence, W. F. Camp.
Independence Circuit, R. Minshall, J. Monroe.
Pleasant Hill Station, T. M. Cobb.
Columbus Circuit, H. N. Watts.
Wellington Circuit, W. J. Brown.

NEVADA CITY DISTRICT.

H. W. Webster, P. E.

Nevada City Station, J. A. Murphy.
Nevada City Circuit, to be supplied.
Little Osage Circuit, L. P. Siceloff.
Papinsville Circuit, G. P. Smith.
Butler Circuit, R. J. Derrick.

Deep Water Circuit, J. M. Proctor.
Holden Circuit, W. M. Pitts.
Harrisonville Circuit, C. C. Woods.
Index Circuit, to be supplied.

NEOSHO DISTRICT.

Jephthah Tillery, P. E.

Neosho Circuit, J. F. Hogan.
Pineville Circuit, to be supplied.
Cassville Circuit, J. P. Barneby.
Mount Vernon Circuit, James McGee.
Pierce City Circuit, George C. Knowles.
Carthage Circuit, P. W. Duncan.
Lamar Circuit, to be supplied.
Montevallo Circuit, to be supplied.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Wm. M. Prottzman, P. E.

Springfield Station, G. W. Horn.
Springfield Circuit, C. C. Wright.
Bolivar and Morristown, G. U. Keener.
Bolivar Circuit, G. M. Winton.
Stockton Circuit, D. J. Payne.
Osceola Circuit, S. A. Blakey.
Humansville Circuit, W. C. Montgomery.
Hermitage Circuit, T. P. Hill.
Ozark Circuit, Hibbard Briggs.
Marshfield Circuit, one to be supplied, C. F. Dryden, Sup.

LEBANON DISTRICT.

D. A. McKnight, P. E.

Lebanon Circuit, to be supplied.
Bloomgarden Circuit, to be supplied.
Chamois Circuit, W. S. Woodard.
Hartville Circuit, to be supplied.
Douglass Circuit, to be supplied.
Mountain Store Circuit, to be supplied.

Dixon F. Gouley, transferred to Western Conference, and appointed to Holden Circuit.

20.—MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COLUMBIA, Mo., September 14-21, 1870.

BISHOP McTYEIRE, *President*; JOHN D. VINCIL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Horatio Linn, Zachary Jones, William Jackson, John Thraikeld, John W. Duskey, John Anderson. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Eugene R. Hendrix, Robt. H. G. Keeran. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

S. S. Hardin, John W. Pinckard. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Henry P. Bond, John B. Jewell, James A. Hyder, Wm. P. Caples, David F. Bone, Squire W. Atterberry. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Lewis Baldwin. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Hugh W. Currin, Eugene R. Hendrix, Henry Kay. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one-year?

Samuel L. Woody, Elmore Carlyle, Joseph Y. Blakey, Grafton Tanquary, Wm. F. Thrasher, Thompson Penn, P. D. Vandeventer. 7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Henry P. Bond, John B. Jewell, James A. Hyder, Wm. P. Caples, David F. Bone. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Henry P. Bond, John B. Jewell, James A. Hyder, Wm. P. Caples, David F. Bone. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

John Garr, John Anderson, M. P. Lay. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John Garr, John Anderson. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William L. Blackwell, Mark B. Chapman. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Wm. L. Blackwell, Mark B. Chapman. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Carr W. Pritchett, Jos. Wm. Jordan, Patrick M. Pinckard. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Thomas Hurst, Horace Brown, Jesse Bird, George W. Rich, Henry P. Bond. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Jesse Faubion, George Fentem, William Perkins, Dudley C. O'Howell, Thos. J. Starr. 5.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Martin Luther Eads. 1.

MARTIN LUTHER EADS was born in Louisa county, Va., in 1793, of respectable parentage. In early life, he shared the advantages of the counsel and example of his mother, who was a pious member of the Baptist Church. That mother he cherished in fondest, sweetest memory, to the day of his death. In the twenty-second year of his age, he was converted under the ministry of the Methodist Church, with which he connected himself, and in which he lived a faithful member, and a constant admirer and defender of its peculiarities, until the day of his death. In 1816 he was licensed to preach, as a local preacher, in which capacity he

served the Church for fourteen or fifteen years, at the expiration of which time he removed from Virginia to Kentucky, where he connected himself with the Kentucky Annual Conference, in the bounds of which he traveled, serving various charges for seven or eight years. In 1839 he removed to Missouri, and joined the Missouri Annual Conference, in the bounds of which he traveled until the fall of 1843, when the claims of his large family compelled him to locate. In 1849 he was readmitted, and remained on the effective list until 1857, when the Conference granted him a superannuated relation, which relation he sustained until God took him home; which event took place January 8, 1870, near Montgomery City, Mo. Brother Eads was a man of unswerving integrity. He never made a contract that he did not fill; he never assumed an obligation that he did not know how it was to be met. Brother Eads's last hours were characterized by great peace and Christian triumph. On being asked if he realized his acceptance with God, he replied, "I have not a lingering doubt of it." When we prayed with him around his dying bed, he responded heartily. When we sang, he shouted aloud. His dying message to this Conference was: "Tell my brethren that, when dying, I realized that the atonement of Jesus Christ was broad enough for me to stand upon forever." He fell asleep as serenely and calmly as the summer evening's setting sun.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Th. B. King, who was not passed on account of holding false doctrine. His case was referred for investigation to the Presiding Elder.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

St. Charles District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Charles Station.....	175	.....	.....
Cottleville.....	177	7	.....
Wentzville.....	289	.....	.....
Wright City.....	285	3	4
Jonesburg.....	285	.....	3
New Florence.....	185	3	.....
Montgomery City.....	245	.....	.....
Ashley.....	222	.....	1
Louisiana and Prairieville.....	267	.....	.....
Clarksville and Painesville.....	300	.....	4
Auburn.....	380	1	3
Portland.....	336	1	1
	3146	15	16

Fayette District.

Glasgow Station.....	180	.....	2
Fayette.....	101	.....	2
Fayette Circuit.....	342	.....	2
Rocheport.....	428	.....	3
Columbia Station.....	137	.....	1
Sturgeon Circuit.....	191	.....	3
Centralia.....	194	.....	.....
Mexico Station.....	343	1	.....

Fayette District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fulton Circuit.....	265	.....	3
New Bloomfield	260	13	.....
Ashland	193	.....	.....
	2634	14	16

Hannibal District.

Hannibal Station	259	.....	.....
Hydesburg Circuit.....	240	.....	.....
Palmyra Station.....	165	1	.....
La Grange Circuit.....	345	3	3
Monticello.....	456	.....	4
Alexandria.....	200	3	.....
Williamstown.....	187	.....	.....
Newark	248	2	.....
Shelbyville	375	3	.....
Sharpsburg	153	2	1
Florida.....	221	.....	1
Santa Fe Mission.....	123	45	.....
Kahoka Mission.....	48	5	.....
	3020	64	9

Macon City District.

Macon City Station	96
Bloomington	220	.....	2
Bucklin Mission	294	.....	4
La Plata	129	.....	2
Lancaster.....	123	.....	2
Memphis.....	277	.....	1
Edina	227	4	2
Sioux City	62	.....	1
Clarence	395	.....	2
Paris.....	228	15	1
Middle Grove.....	195	.....	.....
Huntsville	425	1	4
	2671	20	21

Chillicothe District.

Chillicothe Station.....	200	.....	4
Chillicothe Circuit	278	.....	.....
Millville	681	.....	2
Richmond Station	130	.....	1
Miles's Point.....	264	.....	1
Carrollton.....	575	.....	3
Brunswick Station.....	91	.....	1
Keytesville.....	495	.....	1
Milan	399	.....	5
Lineville.....	167	.....	.....
Spring Hill.....	538	4	3
Linneus.....	232	.....	.....
	3960	4	21

Plattsburg District.

Plattsburg	318	10	6
Liberty.....	336	.....	5
Camden.....	260	.....	2
Haynesville.....	300	2	3
Lathrop Mission.....	102	.....	.....
Breckinridge.....	148	1	.....
Gallatin Station.....	122	.....	.....
Pattonburg	219	.....	2
Bethany Mission.....	184	.....	2
Albany	275	1	1
Cameron	157	.....	.....
Stewartsville.....	122	1	2
	2543	15	23

St. Joseph District.

St. Joseph Station.....	375	1	1
Rushville.....	293	.....	7
New Market.....	200	.....	.....
Platte City.....	337	.....	.....
Weston Station.....	155	.....	.....
Missouri Circuit.....	60	.....	.....
	1420	1	8

Savannah District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Savannah.....	165	.....	.....
Maryville.....	310	.....	4
Forest City.....	104	.....	.....
Rockport.....	125	.....	1
	704	.....	5

Recapitulation.

St. Charles District.....	3146	15	16
Fayette ".....	2634	14	16
Hannibal ".....	3020	64	9
Macon City ".....	2671	20	21
Chillicothe ".....	3960	4	21
Plattsburg ".....	2543	15	23
St. Joseph ".....	1420	1	8
Savannah ".....	704	.....	5
Total this year.....	20,098	133	119
Total last year.....	18,976	163	113
Increase	1,122	.....	6
Decrease.....		30	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

536.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1577.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

180.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

1339.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

8862.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$12,618 44.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$2031 10

Applied as follows:

Sister Leeper,	\$325 00
Sister Robinson and children,	150 00
Brother Hatton's children,	75 00
Brother Caples's children,	300 00
Sister Lannius,	150 00
Sister Young,	150 00
Sister Ketron,	100 00
Sister Sexton and children,	150 00
Sister Eads,	50 00
Brother H. J. Starr,	150 00
Brother H. H. Hedgepeth's children,	125 00
Jesse Faubion,	200 00
Sister Hillias,	56 10
D. C. O'Howell,	50 00

\$2031 10

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Domestic Missions,	\$3512 98
Foreign Missions,	297 35
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	\$3810 33

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Palmyra, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. CHARLES DISTRICT.

A. Monroe, P. E.

St. Charles Station, Wm. M. Leftwich.
Cottleville Circuit, Horatio Linn.
Wentzville, R. G. Loving, one to be supplied.
Wright City, P. D. Vandeventer.
Jonesburg, Joseph S. Allen.
New Florence, Henry H. Craig.
Westport Mission, to be supplied.
Portland Circuit, George Penn.
Auburn, George Smith.
Montgomery City, Zachary Jones.
Ashley, Jessey Sutton.
Louisiana Station, Hiter W. James.
Clarksville Circuit, Wm. A. Tarwater.

HANNIBAL DISTRICT.

W. W. McMurry, P. E.

Hannibal Station, Joseph H. Pritchett.
Hydesburg Circuit, R. N. T. Holliday.
Palmyra Station, J. W. Cunningham.
La Grange Circuit, Elmore Carlyle.
Monticello, Ambrose P. Linn.
Alexandria, to be supplied.
Kaloka Mission, to be supplied.
Williamstown Circuit, James Penn.
Newark, G. Tanquary.
Sharpsburg, L. Rush.
Shelbyville, B. H. Spencer.
Florida, Lewis Baldwin.
Santa Fe Mission, to be supplied.
Shelby High School, J. W. Adkisson, Principal.
Palmyra Female Seminary, M. McIlhaney.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.

Wm. A. Mayhew, P. E.

Fayette Station, Wesley G. Miller.
Fayette Circuit, B. F. Johnson.
Glasgow Station, Thomas J. Gooch, Henry P. Bond, Sup.
Sturgeon Circuit, Thomas De Moss, Geo. W. Rich, Sup.
Centralia, J. Metcalf.
Mexico Station, H. A. Bourland.
Mexico Circuit, Henry Kay.
Pleasant Grove, Samuel L. Woody.
Fulton, Thompson Penn.
Bloomfield, Wm. M. Sutton.
Ashland, to be supplied.
Rocheport, Daniel H. Root.
Perche Mission, to be supplied.
Central College, F. X. Forster.
Columbia Station, John D. Vincil.

MACON DISTRICT.

Walter Toole, P. E.

Macon Station, Eugene R. Hendrix.
Bloomington Circuit, W. M. Wood.
La Plata, William Sartor.
Lancaster Mission, to be supplied.
Edina, Edwin Buck.
Sioux City, to be supplied.
Memphis Circuit, C. W. Collett.
Clarence, D. C. Blackwell.
Paris, Wm. F. Bell.
Middle Grove, John R. Taylor.
Huntsville, J. P. Nolan, Wm. J. Jackson.

CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.

Wm. W. Jones, P. E.

Chillicothe Station, Mark B. Chapman.
Chillicothe Circuit, to be supplied.
Linneus, William Warren.
Bucklin, M. Richardson.
Green Castle Mission, to be supplied.
Milan Circuit, John Thrailkeld, one to be supplied.
Lineville, Wm. F. Thrasher.
Spring Hill, Joseph Y. Blakey.

CARROLLTON DISTRICT.

Wm. Penn, P. E.

Carrollton Station, R. A. Austin.
Narbonne Circuit, D. F. Bone.
Richmond Station, Wm. McK. Newland.
Millville Circuit, Alex. Spencer, Dan'l Penny.
Pleasant Park, R. H. Jordan.
Brunswick Station, Tyson Dines.
Keytesville Circuit, John F. Shores.
Salisbury, Samuel Alexander, H. Brown, Sup.
Camden, George H. Newton.
Richmond College, S. J. Huffaker, President.

PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.

Samuel W. Cope, P. E.

Plattsburg Circuit, C. Babcock, Jesse Bird, Sup.
Liberty, William P. Wilson.
Haynesville, John B. Jewell.
Lathrop Mission, to be supplied.
Osborn Circuit, H. A. Davis.
Breckinridge, H. W. Currin.
Stewartsville, to be supplied.
Albany, James A. Hyder.
Bethany, John W. Duskey.
Pattonsburg, R. H. G. Keeran.
Gallatin Station, Cyrus Doggett.

ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.

W. E. Dockery, P. E.

St. Joseph:

First Charge, C. I. Vandeventer.
Second Charge, to be supplied.
Rushville Circuit, D. R. Shackelford.
New Market, John C. C. Davis.

Winthrop Mission, to be supplied.
 Weston Station, John A. Mumpower.
 Platte City Circuit, Joseph Devlin.
 Savannah, Squire W. Atterbury.
 Forest City, to be supplied.
 Rockport, J. S. Rooker.
 Maryville, John Anderson.

Central College, Wm. M. Rush, Agent.

Wm. P. Caples, Wm. L. Blackwell, Charles W. Sanford, A. Kiergan, transferred to the Western Conference.

Alexander Albright, transferred to the Texas Conference.

21.—WESTERN CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LEAVENWORTH CITY, KANSAS, September 8-10, 1870.

BISHOP McTYEIRE, *President*; J. SPENCER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Berridge Morgason, Nathanael G. Faubian, Nicholas L. Pendleton, Thomas R. Hedgepeth. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thomas E. Downs, Alonzo V. Bailey, Geo. Warren, Edwin J. Staley, C. W. Sanford. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

A. V. Bailey, Wm. A. Hanna. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

George W. Evans, Oscar Smithson, S. J. Catlin, Wm. L. Blackwell, Charles W. Sanford, W. H. Lewis. 6.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

E. G. Frazier, William L. Blackwell. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Charles W. Sanford, Alonzo V. Bailey, Wm. A. Hanna. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Charles W. Sanford, Alonzo V. Bailey, Wm. A. Hanna. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

John B. Hamilton. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John B. Hamilton. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Hugh W. Currin, Eugene R. Hendrix. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Hugh W. Currin, Eugene R. Hendrix. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Thomas R. Hedgepeth. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

T. R. Hedgepeth. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

J. Spencer. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Leavenworth Station.....	104	.....	.....
Leavenworth Circuit.....	106	.....	1
Wyandotte Station.....	37	.....	1
Wyandotte Circuit*.....	150	.....	2
Nebraska Station.....	99	.....	1
Rock Bluff Circuit.....	42	.....	.....
Troy	77	.....	.....
Forest City Station.....	20	.....	1
Atchison City.....	56	.....	.....
Holton Circuit.....	124	.....	.....
Irvin	117	.....	1
Oskaloosa	187	.....	2
Shawnee†.....	175	.....	2
Paola Station.....	64	.....	.....
Council Grove.....	180	.....	.....
Leavenworth Colored Charge.....	.....	133	.....
	1538	133	11
*Indians.....	7		
†Indians.....	30		

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
41.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
187.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
19.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
132.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
985.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of preachers?
No estimate, it being the first Conference.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$163 50

Applied as follows:

J. F. Shores,	\$ 7 00
H. W. Currin,	20 00
E. J. Stanley,	20 00
C. Bowles,	28 00
W. Barnett,	8 50
J. M. Ewen,	20 00
Geo. Warren,	20 00
Jas. King,	20 00
A. Williams,	20 00

\$163 50

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$236 75.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Council Grove, Kansas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LEAVENWORTH DISTRICT.

Joseph W. King, P. E.

Leavenworth Station, to be supplied.
Leavenworth Circuit, W. A. Hanna.
Wyandotte, T. C. Downs.
Troy, E. J. Stanley.
Atchison Station, A. W. Bailey.
Oskaloosa Circuit, to be supplied.
Holton, J. S. Frazier.
Wamego, W. L. Pendleton.
Waterville, to be supplied.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT.

James S. Smith, P. E.

Nebraska City Station, Berridge Morgason.
Rock Bluff Circuit, A. Williams.
St. Stephen's, T. R. Hedgepeth.
Omaha, to be supplied.
Plattsmouth, O. Smithson.
Beatrice, to be supplied.

SHAWNEETOWN DISTRICT.

C. Boles, P. E.

Shawneetown Circuit, Geo. Warren.
Tecumseh, to be supplied.
Paola, W. P. Caples.
Mound City, to be supplied.
Fort Scott, George W. Evans.
Baxter Springs, to be supplied.
Chetopa, to be supplied.
Ottowa, to be supplied.

COUNCIL GROVE DISTRICT.

J. McEwing, P. E.

Council Grove Circuit, E. G. Frazier.
Cottonwood Falls, to be supplied.
Wichita, to be supplied.
Augusta Circuit, O. P. Noble.
Humboldt, to be supplied.
Verdigris, to be supplied.
Emporia, to be supplied.
Clark's Creek, to be supplied.

COLORADO DISTRICT.

W. H. Lewis, P. E.

Denver City, W. H. Lewis.
Golden City, to be supplied.
Central City, to be supplied.
Peoria City, to be supplied.

MONTANA DISTRICT.

L. B. Stoteler, P. E.

Helena City, S. J. Catlin.
Diamond City, to be supplied.
Gallatin City, W. L. Blackwell.
Roseman City, to be supplied.
Virginia City, to be supplied.
Bannock City, to be supplied.
Deer Lodge City, to be supplied.

COLORED DISTRICT.

Moses White, P. E.

Leavenworth Circuit, Moses White.
Monroe, Mo., to be supplied.
Platte City, Mo., to be supplied.
Atchison City, to be supplied.
Paola Circuit, to be supplied.

E. R. Hendrix, transferred to Missouri Conference.

22.—INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FORT GIBSON, C. N., October 26-29, 1870.

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; J. C. ROBINSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Thomas K. B. McSpadden, Stephen P. Hicks. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Heavy Butler, Charles Campbell, John Sevier. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

John T. Talbot. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Campbell Rope. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Campbell Rope. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Stephen P. Hicks. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Stephen P. Hicks. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Samuel Checatac. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Thomas B. Ruble. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except John T. Talbot, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Cherokee District.

	White Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tahlequah and Park Hill.....	.....	60	.....	.....
Fort Gibson	14	16	8	.....
Spring Creek.....	1	135	13	5
Salesaw and Prairie Grove.....	4	290	1	3
Canadian	5	203	1	.....
Barren Fork.....	1	155	.....	1
Corinth.....	1	25	.....	1
Grand River.....	8	131	.....	1
	34	1015	23	11

Choctaw District.

Schullyville.....	41	125	14	2
Mashulatubbee.....	.....	206	.....	6
San Bois .....	.....	53	1	3
Perryville.....	.....	51	9	1
	41	435	24	12

Chickasaw District.

Chickasaw Circuit.....	32	240	60	5
Kiamichi and Boggy.....	6	498	37	7
Boggy Depot.....	4	13	21	.....
Doakesville.....	6	244	78	7
Jack's Fork.....	11	170	9	1
	59	1165	205	20

Creek District.

North Fork.....	5	138	12	3
Ocmulgee.....	.....	554	.....	6
Creek Agency.....	.....	264	173	.....
Little River.....	.....	262	.....	2
	5	1218	185	11

Recapitulation.

Cherokee District.....	34	1015	23	11
Choctaw "	41	435	24	12
Chickasaw "	59	1165	205	20
Creek "	5	1218	185	11
Total this year.....	139	3833	437	54
Total last year	60	3079	151	59
Increase	79	754	286	5
Decrease.....				

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
472.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
651.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
12.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
35.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
372.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
Not estimated.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Nothing.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$386 95.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Boggy Depot, Choctaw Nation.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

Young Ewing, P. E.

Fort Gibson Station, J. Y. Brice.
Tahlequah Circuit, Thos. K. B. McSpadden.

Spring Creek, Isaac Saunders.
Grand River, David B. Cumming, E. Butler.
Barren Fork, to be supplied (by Flute).
Flint, J. B. Rubles, Sup.
Salesaw, Charles H. Campbell, John Sevier.
Canadian, Heavy Butler.

CHOCTAW DISTRICT.

Stephen P. Hicks, P. E.

Schullyville, to be supplied.
Mashulatubbee, to be supplied (by Willis Folsome).
San Bois, to be supplied (by Gibson Battice).
Perryville, to be supplied (by Robert Jackson).

CHICKASAW DISTRICT.

Jesse H. Walker, P. E.

Boggy Circuit, to be supplied (by Jefferson Long).
Tishamingo, J. C. Robinson.
Chickasaw, to be supplied (by Jesse J. Gardner).
Kiamichi, to be supplied (by Bylincha).
Doakesville, Simon P. Willis.
Jack's Fork, to be supplied (by Moses Perry).

CREEK DISTRICT.

W. A. Duncan, P. E.

Ocmulgee Circuit, James McHenry.
North Fork, to be supplied (by Cesar).
Creek Agency, to be supplied (by Joshua Soule).
Little River, to be supplied (by Walter Collins).
Asbury Manual-labor School, John Hume, Superintendent.

John Porter, transferred to White River Conference.

23.—ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CLARKSVILLE, ARK., October 12-17, 1870.

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; HARLSTON R. WITHERS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Nathanael Futrell, Thomas J. Reynolds, Edward J. Downe. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Jesse M. King, Francis A. Taff, George R. Bryce, Wm. E. Whittenberg, James A. Walden, John H. Hall. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Wm. H. H. Oyler, Wm. J. Martin. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Nathan E. Fair, George F. Fair, Coleman H. Ford, Sidney H. Babcock, Isaac T. Rice. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Harlston R. Withers. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Jerome Haralson, Wm. H. Conley, Wm. J.

Dodson, B. F. Hall, J. H. Hall, John F. Hall, Charles H. Gregory, H. A. Barnett. 8.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
Alexander Mathis, Van Buren Tate. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Nathan E. Fair, George F. Fair. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Robert C. Atchley, Nathan E. Fair, George F. Fair. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Jesse Moreland, John Gordon, James Sutherland, Alexander M. Connell, Elbert Smith, John M. Ramey, Nathanael Villines, John E. Bizzell, Green O'Daniel. 9.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John Gordon, Alex. M. Connell, Elbert Smith, Nathanael Villines, Jesse Moreland, John M. Ramey. 6.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Robert A. Allison, Sidney S. Key, Abel C. Ray. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Robert C. Atchley, Sidney S. Key, Abel C. Ray, Robert A. Allison. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Nathanael Futrell, John A. Shaw, Elijah Smoot. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Nathanael Futrell, Elijah Smoot. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Nathan E. Fair. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Robert A. Allison, Eli C. Jones, Stephen P. Farish. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

M. B. Pearson. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Joseph M. P. Hickerson, who, while his character was under investigation, had joined the Methodist Protestant Church. His name was dropped from the roll.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Local preachers,	86
White members,	7853
Colored members,	35
Details not given.	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

241.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

389.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

71.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

417.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

2808.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$475.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$235 85

Applied as follows:

Paid to Sister Cowle,	\$55 00
Paid to Sister Carlisle,	50 00
Paid to Sister Bukham,	20 00
Paid to Sister White,	55 00
Paid to Sister Renan,	55 00

\$235 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

For Missions, \$337 50

For Old Debt, 753 15

\$1090 65

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Van Buren, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

John J. Roberts, P. E.

Spadra, Charles H. Gregory.
Clarksville Circuit, Nathanael Futrell.
Dover, William R. Knowlton.
Gally Rock, Isaac L. Hicks.
Lewisburg Station, Isham L. Burrow.
Lewisburg Circuit, Abel C. Ray, Stephen P. Farish, Sup.
East Fork, Coleman H. Ford.
Clinton, William E. Whittenberg.
Dardanelle Station, John F. Hall.
Danville Circuit, George J. Fair.
Dardanelle Circuit, William J. Dodson.
Bluffton, John M. Bewley.
Quitman Institute, Peter A. Moses.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

William M. Mathis, P. E.

Fort Smith Station, Henry M. Granade.

Fort Smith Circuit, Sidney S. Key.
Greenwood Circuit, Francis A. Taff.
Waldron, Thomas J. Reynolds.
Rich Mountain Mission, to be supplied (by Jonas B. Frost).
Shoal Creek, Henry M. Youngblood.
Ozark, Harlston R. Withers.
Van Buren Station, Sidney H. Babcock, R. A. Allison, Sup.
Van Buren Circuit, Gideon H. Warren.
Boonville, William H. Cooley.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

Thomas Wainwright, P. E.

Fayetteville Circuit, Jerome Haralson.
Viney Grove, John M. Clayton.
Evansville Circuit, Robert C. Atchley.
Maysville Mission, Isaac T. Rice.
Center Point Circuit, Thomas J. Smith.
Bentonville Circuit, Edward J. Dawne.
Richland, Jesse M. King.

White River Circuit, David Sturdy.
Huntsville Circuit, George R. Bryce.

YELLVILLE DISTRICT.

Francis M. Moore, P. E.

Yellville Circuit, Benjamin F. Hall.
Crooked Creek, Hugh A. Barnett.
Carrollton Circuit, Alex. Mathis.
Jasper Mission, Daniel W. Evans.
Berryville Circuit, James A. Walden.
Mountain Home, Van Buren Tate, Eli C. Jones, Sup.
Centerville Mission, John H. Wade.
Marshall Circuit, James Grant.
Flatwoods, John H. Hall.

Jesse Griffin, transferred to White River Conference, and appointed to Big Creek.

William R. Foster, transferred to White River Conference, and appointed to Searcy Station.

24.—WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MOUNT ZION, ARK., Sept. 28-Oct. 3, 1870.

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; JAMES WICKERSHAM, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Joseph Parker, Thomas Vincent, Edwin A. Garrison, Stephen D. Evans, William J. Ross, Wesley M. Whitehead, Thomas J. Settles, Jerome Haraldson, Wm. H. Corley, Nathanael G. Murphy, William J. Dodson, William C. Malum. 12.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Leroy D. Webb, Dudley W. Reid, Robert N. Francis. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

William G. Hilton, James A. Walden (at his own request), Henry P. Clay (at his own request), George De Boze. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Fletcher A. Ellis, Calvin S. Floyd, John H. Porter, William R. Young. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

John H. Porter. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

John H. Dye, W. W. Gillespie. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

William H. Corley, J. J. Bean, Thomas J. Settles, William N. Grien, Benjamin J. K. Hite, Daniel McWhirter. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

William H. Corley, Thomas J. Settles, Daniel McWhirter, Jasper Sibert, Dennis Birchett, Hezekiah Highfield. 6. Solon Graham (colored). 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William R. Young, Henry T. Gregory, T. H. Howard, John H. Dye, W. W. Gillespie. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

William R. Young, Henry T. Gregory, T. H. Howard, John H. Dye, W. W. Gillespie. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Moses C. Clark, Thomas Vincent, John Cook, Larkin F. Johnson, W. H. Phipps, Hardy Williams, Thomas A. Craig, A. T. Holleyman. 8.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Thomas Vincent, Moses C. Clark, John Cook, Hardy Williams, Thomas A. Craig, A. T. Holleyman. 6.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

J. A. Williams, J. W. Patton. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Edward T. Jones. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Elijah F. McNabb, John Cowle. 2.

ELIJAH F. McNABB, we believe, was brought up in Kentucky—came to Arkansas at an early day, and settled in Phillips county. He joined the Arkansas Conference, perhaps, in 1843. He was a man of ordinary talents, but earnest and faithful as a pastor. His health failed, and he took a superannuated relation about 1850, we think, since which time his home has been in Phillips county. He well maintained his Christian integrity, beloved by all. He died, perhaps, in March last, and was buried in Evergreen Cemetery, in the city of Helena, Arkansas. All men speak well of E. F. McNabb.

JOHN COWLE was born in Huntingdonshire, England, in January, 1815, and came with his parents to America in 1822, and settled in Van-berburg county, Indiana, where he continued till 1838, at which time he came to Arkansas. He was received by the Arkansas Annual Conference on probation, in 1841, at Batesville. He proved to be a close student—his examinations on the Course of Study were always good. His first circuit was Bayou Bartholomew, where he conducted a revival. The first Annual Conference he attended was held at Helena, in 1842. He soon proved himself a workman that needed not to be ashamed. He filled the Helena Station about 1853, after which he was placed in the District work for some sixteen years consecutively, always acquitting himself with honor, and proving a blessing to the Church wherever he labored. He served as delegate in the General Conference of 1854. Brother Cowle's health failed in 1868, and he received a superannuated relation. He resided at Memphis—his health steadily declining; and at our late General Conference, when his Arkansas brethren visited him, he expressed his desire to return to Evansville, Indiana, to the home of his only sister, where he desired to die, that his remains might be deposited in the family cemetery. His brethren complied with his request, and sent him to his sister, the wife of the Hon. Isa Iglehart, at whose house he breathed his last, on the 6th of June, 1870. In a conversation with Brother Cowle, about the first of May, he was asked as to his feelings and future prospects. He stated

that he felt his physical nature giving way, and that he desired to depart and be with Jesus. He had lived for the Church—his life and labors had been directed by and for the Church; and now that his work was done, he was ready—that there was not a cloud on his mind—that he was anxious to depart. All he regretted was leaving his family, which he left with his brethren. He said to his sister: "I thank the Lord that I am here, that I see you all once more." His last words were: "O blessed Jesus, glory!" and he ceased to breathe.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except George De Boze and J. P. Webb. The Presiding Elder of Harrisburg District was instructed to examine into reports involving the character of J. P. Webb.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Helena District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Helena Station.....	37	.....	1
Helena Circuit.....	200	.....	.....
Long Lake (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Bend (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Elm Bend (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Marion.....	60	.....	.....
Tyronee (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Osceola.....	225	.....	3
	522	.....	4

Jacksonport District.

Jacksonport Station.....	100	1	1
Jacksonport Circuit.....	225	.....	3
Black River.....	266	.....	2
Cache Mission.....	60	1	.....
Cotton Plant Circuit.....	280	.....	4
Augusta.....	212	40	1
Clarendon.....	116	.....	2
Surrounded Hill (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Prairie.....	124	.....	4
Trenton.....	199	.....	6
	1582	42	23

Harrisburg District.

Harrisburg Circuit.....	310	20	3
Wittsburg.....	209	50	3
Taylor's Creek.....	108	.....	.....
Jonesboro.....	400	10	1
Greensboro.....	376	4	7
Gainsville.....	393	.....	3
Maumelle (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Madison.....	280	.....	.....
	2076	84	17

Batesville District.

Batesville Station.....	81	.....	.....
Batesville Circuit.....	292	1	4
Bethesda.....	335	4	3
Smithville.....	302	3	3
Pocahontas.....	250	.....	6

Batesville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Grand Glaze.....	106	2	1
Prospect Bluff.....	164	.....	2
Big Creek.....	250	.....	2
Evening Shades.....	378	.....	.....
Mammoth Spring.....	162	.....	5
	2320	10	26

Searcy District.

Searcy Station.....	101	1
Cadron Circuit.....	516	12	2
Searcy.....	550	.....	5
	1167	12	8

Yellville District.

Salem Mission.....	136	.....	3
Wild Hawes.....	446	15	9
	582	15	12

Recapitulation.

Helena District.....	522	.....	4
Jacksonport ".....	1582	42	23
Harrisburg ".....	2076	84	17
Batesville ".....	2320	10	26
Searcy ".....	1167	12	8
Yellville ".....	582	15	12
Total this year.....	8249	163	90

[At the session of this new Conference Searcy Station, Searcy Circuit, and Cadron Circuit, were placed in Jacksonport District; and Salem Mission—now a circuit—and Wild Hawes, now called La Crosse Circuit, in the Batesville District.]

Ques 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
238.

Ques 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
483.

Ques 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
93.

Ques 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
461.

Ques 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3040.

Ques 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$800.

Ques 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$251 65
Applied as follows:	
Mrs. Carlile,	100 00
Mrs. Carroll,	100 00
Mrs. White,	51 65

Ques 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Missions,	\$393 87
Old debt,	680 00
	<hr/> \$1073 87

Ques 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Batesville, Ark.

Ques 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HELENA DISTRICT.

John M. Steel, P. E.

Helena Station, J. L. Denton.
Helena Circuit, to be supplied (by Elias Jackson, transfer).
Long Lake, to be supplied.
Trenton, Thomas J. Settles.
Mariana, William T. Noe.
Prairie, to be supplied (by D. D. McCutchen).
Clarendon and Macedonia Station, Elias M. Baker.
Shady Grove, to be supplied (by Thos. A. Craig).

HARRISBURG DISTRICT.

Wm. A. Cobb, P. E.

Harrisburg Circuit, to be supplied (by Wm. J. Ross, jr).
Wittsburg, to be supplied (by Miller H. White, transfer).
Taylor's Creek, John W. Walkup.
Forest City, to be supplied (by Author Davis, transfer).
Jonesboro, Henry T. Gregory.
Greensboro, to be supplied (by David B. Warren).
Maumelle, E. W. Coleman.
Gainesville, Leroy D. Webb.
Bayou De View, William C. Malone.

JACKSONPORT DISTRICT.

G. A. Dannelly, P. E.

Jacksonport Station, John H. Dye.
Jacksonport Circuit, Edwin A. Garrison.
Augusta, James Mackey, Ed. T. Jones, Sup.
Cotton Plant, Thomas H. Howard.
Pleasant Valley, Stephen D. Evans.
Searcy Station, Calvin S. Floyd.
Searcy Circuit, to be supplied (by James Talkington).
Cadron, Thomas A. Graham.
Black River, Nathanael G. Murphy.
Cherokee Bay, Jacob H. Cox.
Prospect Bluff, Thomas Vincent.
Grand Glaze, W. M. Whitehead.
Agent American Bible Society, John Rhyne.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

Burwell Lee, P. E.

Batesville Station, C. H. Ellis.
Batesville Circuit, A. R. Bennick.
Bethesda, to be supplied (by Josiah Roberts).
Smithville, F. A. Ellis.
Pocahontas and Powhatan, to be supplied.

Pocahontas Circuit, Wm. M. Watson.
 Mammoth Spring, to be supplied (by James Denton).
 Evening Shade, Dudley W. Reid.
 Salem, Joseph Parker.
 La Crosse, Moses C. Morris.
 Big Creek, to be supplied (by Jesse Griffin, transfer).

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT.

Benoni Harris, P. E.

Walnut Bend, W. W. Gillespie.
 Marion, to be supplied (by Andrew Conley).
 Elm Bend, Benoni Harris.
 Frenchman Bayou, J. H. Porter.
 Osceola, William R. Young.

25.—LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WASHINGTON, ARK., Nov. 30—Dec. 5, 1870.

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; W. C. HEARN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Walter W. Weir, Josephus Loving, James L. Nabors, Francis D. Van Valkenburg, Robert H. Sanders. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Isaac N. Pace, N. S. Burnett, Leonard M. Chandler, Francis M. Monk, Harvey H. Watson, John W. Johnson, Bascom Ward, John M. G. Douglass. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

William R. Bayless, Wm. O. Lanier, T. Q. C. House, W. H. H. Biggs, Levi W. Pigott. 5.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

James A. Anderson, Ambrose D. Jenkins, George Hare, Thomas H. Ware. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

James M. Cline, Hezekiah W. Balch. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

P. W. Archer, J. A. Parker, George W. Matthews, H. Townsend, M. H. Fielding, W. R. Gardner, T. B. Atterberry, L. W. Pigott, F. Pearson. 9.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Reuben W. Massey, James Stincill, Jonathan A. Clower, George W. Evans. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

James A. Anderson, Ambrose D. Jenkins, Thomas H. Ware, John W. Johnson, Levi W. Pigott. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

James A. Anderson, Ambrose D. Jenkins, Thomas H. Ware, John W. Johnson, Levi W. Pigott. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Robert N. Ross, James M. Emmerson, Shadrach J. Moore, John F. Connell. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Alfred P. Alexander, Robert N. Ross, Shadrach J. Moore. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William J. Davis, George Hare. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

William J. Davis, George Hare. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Alford H. Ferguson, John W. Eeds, Francis B. Meade. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Alford H. Ferguson, Francis B. Meade, James Lowry. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Lewis Julian, J. M. Pirtle, E. R. Barcus. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

B. C. Wier. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Thomas Hunt, J. G. Ward, Alexander Avery, Richard F. Colburn. 4.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Benjamin Watson, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Little Rock District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Little Rock:			
First Charge.....	136	.....	2
Ratliffe Chapel.....	102	.....	.....
Little Rock Circuit.....	30	.....	.....
Bayou Metre.....	500	.....	3
Brownsville.....	181	.....	4
Richwoods Mission.....	56	.....	2
Austin Circuit.....	444	.....	5
Des Arc.....	72	.....	.....
Duval's Bluff.....	23	.....	.....
Belfast.....	352	.....	3
Mill Creek.....	172	.....	2
Collegeville.....	409	.....	8
Perryville.....	349	.....	3
White River.....	225	.....	.....
De Witt Station.....	49	.....	1
De Witt Circuit.....	150	.....	.....
	3250	.....	33

Pine Bluff District.

Pine Bluff Station.....	151
Sulphur Springs.....	288	.....	4
Lehi.....	575	.....	6
Swan Lake.....	168	.....	.....
Auburn.....	105	.....	1
Plum Bayou.....	189	.....	7
Monticello Station.....	81	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	431	.....	7
Lacy.....	211	.....	3
Hamburg.....	180	.....	1
Line.....	160	.....	1
Bartholomew.....	152	.....	1
Lake Village.....	74	.....	.....
	2765	.....	31

Arkadelphia District.

Arkadelphia Station.....	184	.....	3
Clark Circuit.....	342	.....	4
Murfreesboro.....	72	.....	.....
Caddo Mission.....	233	.....	1
Rockport Circuit.....	289	.....	3
Tulip.....	401	.....	1
Princeton.....	407	.....	4
Hot Springs Station.....	19	.....	.....
Hot Springs Mission.....	153	.....	2
	2100	.....	18

Camden District.

Camden Station.....	183
Buena Vista.....	270	.....	1
Wachita.....	314	.....	1
El Dorado.....	418	.....	8
Lapeal.....	199	.....	1
Magnolia.....	390	.....	7
Falcon Station.....	92	.....	2
Falcon Circuit.....	367	.....	5
Lewisville.....	204	.....	.....
Hampton.....	229	.....	.....
Warren.....	192	.....	4
Palestine.....	185	.....	2
	3043	.....	31

Washington District.

Washington Station.....	107	.....	1
Moscow.....	296	.....	2
Columbus.....	217	.....	4
Ozan Mission.....	166	.....	1
Centre Point.....	287	.....	4
Paraclista.....	174	.....	3
Richmond.....	96	.....	2
Polk Mission.....	322	.....	7
Rondo Station.....	41	.....	.....
Rondo and Olive Branch.....	211	.....	1
	1917	.....	25

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Little Rock District.....	3250	.....	33
Pine Bluff ".....	2765	.....	31
Arkadelphia ".....	2100	.....	18
Camden ".....	3043	.....	31
Washington ".....	1917	.....	25
Total this year.....	13,075	.....	138
Total last year.....	12,348	.....	117
Increase.....	727	.....	21

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
449.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
867.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
159.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
836.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
5448.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3625.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1903 75

Applied as follows:
Sister Ratcliffe, \$108 00
Sister Marshall, 58 00
Sister Owen, 228 00
Sister Stanley, 173 00
Brother McKenzie's daughter, 58 00
R. F. Colburn, 268 00
Brother Avery, 218 00
Brother Brown's child, 58 00
Sister Winburn, 108 00
Brother Kennedy's son, 58 00
Sister Aikin, 228 00
Sister Bond, 131 75
Tho. Hunt, 33 00
Sister Crowson, 58 00
Brother Caldwell, 118 00
\$1903 75

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
For Missions, \$2503 95
For Old Debt, 1040 00
\$3543 95

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Little Rock, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

Robert S. Hunter, P. E.

Little Rock:

First Charge, Henry B. Frazee.
 Ratcliffe Chapel, Josephus Loving.
 Argenta Mission, to be supplied.
 Little Rock Circuit, James M. Cline.
 Bayou Metro, Isaac N. Pace.
 Lenoke, Reuben W. Massey.
 Duvall's Bluff, Samuel G. Colburn.
 Richwoods Mission, Walter W. Weir.
 Austin Circuit, N. S. Burnett, Thomas H. Ware.
 Mill Creek, Calvin M. Slover.
 White River, Burton Williams.
 De Witt Station, to be supplied.
 De Witt Circuit, George W. Primrose.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

Cadesman Pope, P. E.

Pine Bluff Station, William C. Hearn.
 Plum Bayou, John H. Riggin.
 Swan Lake, George Hare.
 Red Fork, Francis M. Monk.
 Sulphur Springs, Thomas B. Atterberry.
 Benton, to be supplied (by A. H. Ferguson).
 Collegeville, James A. Anderson.
 Perryville, John M. G. Douglass.
 Lehi, William J. Davis.
 Branchville, to be supplied (by J. C. Liggon).
 Selma, J. H. Blakely.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

Marshall H. Wells, P. E.

Monticello Station, James R. Harvey.
 Mount Pleasant, William J. Scott.
 Green Hill, F. C. Pearson.
 Hamburg, H. D. McKennon.
 Line, Enoch L. Gaddie.
 Bartholomew, Alex. B. Winfield.
 Endora, Leonard M. Chandler.
 Eunice Mission, John Pryor.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

Augustus R. Winfield, P. E.

Arkadelphia Station, John F. Carr.
 Clark Circuit, Wm. R. J. Husbands.

Murfreesboro Mission, Thomas Hunt.
 Caddo Mission, Hezekiah W. Balch.
 Hot Springs Mission, Francis D. Van Volkenburg.
 Rockport Circuit, to be supplied (by F. Winburn).
 Tulip, J. P. Holmes.
 Moro Mission, J. W. Lahrens.
 Princeton Circuit, Britton G. Johnson.
 Hampton, Harvey H. Watson.
 Warren, G. W. Matthews, B. C. Ware, Sup.
 Palestine, J. Stincill.
 American Bible Society, J. E. Caldwell, Agent.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

Horace Jewell, P. E.

Camden Station, Philemon W. Archer.
 Buena Vista, J. Sanford.
 Wachita, M. H. Fielding.
 Falcon Station, David T. Holmes.
 Falcon Circuit, Jos. Turrentine.
 Magnolia, Ezekiel N. Watson.
 Pleasant Grove, J. P. Hulse.
 El Dorado, J. A. Parker, R. P. Davis.
 Lapeal, John W. Johnson.
 Lewisville, H. Townsend.
 Olive Branch, J. L. Nabors.
 Sunday-school Agent, W. H. Browning.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Andrew Hunter, P. E.

Washington Station, Columbus O. Steele.
 Moscow Circuit, Arthur W. Simmons.
 Columbus, Thomas W. Hays.
 Centre Point, W. R. Gardner.
 Paraclyfta, to be supplied (by J. W. Eeds).
 Richmond, R. H. Sanders.
 Polk Mission, Ambrose D. Jenkins.
 Rondo Circuit, B. O. Davis, Bascom Ward.

George W. Evans, transferred to Western Conference.

W. Moores and G. Butler, transferred to Los Angeles Conference.

J. A. Clower, transferred to Trinity Conference.

J. E. Cobb and R. Parvin, transferred to Louisiana Conference.

J. F. Hall, transferred to Arkansas Conference, and stationed at Dardanelle.

26.—TRINITY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT JEFFERSON, TEXAS, *October 19-25, 1870.*

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; WILLIAM C. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Charles E. Lamb, James C. Weaver, Denton P. Haggard, Melville C. Blackburn, John K. Street, Wm. A. Smith. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thomas E. Sherwood, James P. Rogers, Eugene T. Bates. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

J. J. Hunnicutt, Alexander C. Moyer. 2

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Samuel S. Cobb, Littleton F. Palmer. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Joseph Parker, from the South Carolina Conference; Matthew T. Leach, from the Montgomery Conference; Robert P. Thompson, from the West Texas Conference. 3. James A. Bruton, from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and Pleasant B. Bailey, from the Methodist Protestant Church. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

George R. Buchanan, Andrew B. Kendall. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Littleton F. Palmer. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Littleton F. Palmer. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas E. Sherwood, Stephen James. 2. Major Holoway, Daniel Battle, William L. Leroy (colored). 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas E. Sherwood, Stephen James. 2. W. L. Leroy (colored). 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John C. Randall. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

John C. Randall. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

John K. Street, Boaz A. Stanford. 2. Alfred Alston, Andrew J. Burrus, Campbell Jackson (colored). 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

John K. Street. 1. Alfred Alston (colored). 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Andrew B. Kendall, Daniel T. Lake, Charles P. Turrentine, Pleasant B. Bailey. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

William E. Bates, George R. Buchanan, John W. Fields. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Andrew Cumming, Alexander Hinkle, James B. Rabb, Alexander R. Dickson, John P. Stanfield, James L. Terry, William K. Wilson, Ezekiel Couch, John W. P. McKenzie, Thomas W. Mitchell. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Green Boyd, Davis Kinnison. 2.

GREEN BOYD was born in Independence county, in September, 1824. He was born of the Spirit in Franklin county, Arkansas, October, 1838; was licensed to exhort in the M. E. Church, Sonth, by the Rev. William S. Guthery, March 25, 1842; was licensed to preach by the Rev. John Harrell, the Presiding Elder, September 23, 1848; was ordained deacon by Bishop Paine, November 14, 1854. He was, for several years, a prominent member of the Arkansas Conference. In that Conference he filled several important charges. The last three years in that Conference he traveled a District, where he sustained himself as a preacher of considerable ability. In the year 1864, having been broken up by the war, he came to Texas. In October, 1865, he joined the East Texas Conference, and was appointed to the Gainesville Circuit, where he labored with great zeal and acceptability for two years. In the fall of 1867 he was appointed to the Greenville Circuit, where he was continued until he died. He was absent from home, under treatment for a cancer, when he breathed his last. In his last illness he conversed freely about dying. He said, while he wished to live for the sake of his family, he was not afraid to die. He was a pious man, a good citizen, an affectionate husband, a kind father, and a useful minister. He has left a widow and children to the care of the Church.

DAVIS KINNISON was born in Virginia about 1807. He was converted and licensed to preach when he was quite a young man. Afterward he became a member of the Baltimore Conference; was ordained deacon by Bishop Roberts,

and elder by Bishop Hedding. He traveled several years in that Conference, then located, and emigrated with his family to Northern Missouri, where he engaged in the practice of medicine. When the tocsin of war was sounded in 1861, and the defenseless and unoffending of Missouri were exposed to the unrestrained passions of the wicked, Dr. Kinnison sought refuge among the people of the South. He located in Collin county, Texas, and resumed the practice of medicine, meanwhile laboring efficiently as a local preacher in our Church. In November, 1867, at Sulphur Springs, Texas, he was readmitted into the traveling connection as a member of this Conference, and appointed for the ensuing year to the Clarksville Circuit, where he labored with great success. In the fall of 1868 he was appointed to the Boston Circuit, where he labored with abundant usefulness. In the fall of 1869 he was returned to the same charge, where, in the faithful discharge of his duty, he breathed his last, on the 17th of March, 1870, in full assurance of a better life. He was buried with Masonic honors, attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends, near Boston, Bowie county, Texas. This furnishes another striking instance of Christian triumph in the fatal hour. That religion which he so faithfully taught in the pulpit, and so beautifully exemplified in his life, amply sustained him in the mortal struggle.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Jefferson District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jefferson Station.....	234	.....	6
Linden Circuit.....	320	51	4
Dangerfield.....	350	.....	1
Kelleyville.....	205	.....	.....
Sulphur Springs Station.....	185	.....	.....
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	506	.....	7
Pittsburg.....	323	300	8
Gilmer.....	440	200	7
Coffeeville.....	225	.....	.....
	2788	551	33

Paris District.

Paris Station.....	138	.....	1
Paris Circuit.....	417	.....	2
Honey Grove.....	369	.....	4
Ladonia.....	246	.....	3
McAlister.....	229	.....	8
Pine Creek Mission.....	100	.....	1
Clarksville Circuit.....	234	.....	1
Boston.....	200	.....	1
Paris Colored Charge.....	.....	650	.....
	1933	650	21

Dallas District.

Dallas Station.....	150	.....	4
Dallas Circuit.....	480	.....	9

Dallas District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Denton.....	315	.....	5
Decatur Mission.....	154	.....	3
McKinney Circuit.....	409	.....	7
Seyene.....	225	.....	2
Dallas Colored Charge.....	.....	360	.....
	1733	360	30

Sherman District.

Sherman Station.....	115	.....	2
Sherman Circuit.....	556	.....	6
Gainesville.....	229	.....	2
Bonham.....	300	.....	6
Pilot Grove Mission.....	295	.....	1
Rockwall Circuit.....	520	.....	9
Greenville.....	340	.....	5
Sherman Colored Charge.....	.....	200	.....
	2355	200	31

Kaufman District.

Kaufman Circuit.....	320	.....	6
Cedar Grove.....	393	.....	6
Garden Valley.....	293	.....	7
Winnsboro.....	250	15	4
Springville.....	165	.....	5
Oakland.....	150	.....	2
Sulphur Bluff.....	232	.....	4
White Oak Mission.....	40	.....	.....
	1843	15	34

Recapitulation.

Jefferson District.....	2788	551	33
Paris ".....	1933	650	21
Dallas ".....	1733	360	30
Sherman ".....	2355	200	31
Kaufman ".....	1843	15	34
Total this year.....	10,652	1776	149
Total last year.....	9,789	714	140
Increase.....	863	1062	9

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

538.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1048.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

86.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

373.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

4065.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$1000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1132 00
Applied as follows:
Brother Scrivner's two children, \$100 00
Sister H. D. Palmer, 125 00

Brother J. T. P. Irvine,	32 00
Sister Caroline Hammel,	100 00
Brother Green Boyd's five children,	200 00
Brother J. N. Hammel's children,	100 00
Brother M. C. Robertson's children,	80 00
Brother Wm. K. Wilson,	50 00
Brother A. W. Goodjion's child,	55 00
Brother Alexander Hinkle,	100 00
Sister H. B. Hamilton,	110 00
Brother R. Lane,	40 00
Brother A. R. Dickson,	40 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$1000.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Sherman, Grayson county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

JEFFERSON DISTRICT.

Samuel J. Hawkins, P. E.

Jefferson Station, Robert S. Finley.
Kelleyville Circuit, Robert P. Thompson, Charles E. Lamb.
Linden, Joseph M. Stevenson.
Dangerfield, Joseph Parker.
Mount Vernon, John C. Smith.
Winnsboro, Calvin J. Cock.
Pittsburg, Matthew T. Leach.
Gilmer, Thomas B. Norwood.
Coffeeville, James P. Rogers.
Agent for Sunday-schools, Richard Lane.

PARIS DISTRICT.

Lewis B. Ellis, P. E.

Paris Station, David M. Proctor.
Paris Circuit, Thomas M. Smith.
Honey Grove, John W. Piner.
Ladonia, William R. Davis.
Clarksville, James Graham.
McAlister, James C. Weaver.

Pine Creek Mission, Littleton F. Palmer.
Boston Circuit, Alexander C. McDougall.
Charleston, to be supplied.
Paris Female Institute, John H. McLean, Agent and Principal.

DALLAS DISTRICT.

William C. Young, P. E.

Dallas Station, Richard W. Thompson.
Dallas Circuit, Samuel S. Cobb.
Denton, M. C. Blackburn, Wm. E. Bates, Sup.
Decatur, Milton Maupin.
McKinney, Geo. S. Gatewood, Geo. R. Buchanan, Sup.
Gainesville, William L. Carleton.
Scyene, to be supplied (by William R. Smith).

SHERMAN DISTRICT.

Jacob M. Binkley, P. E.

Sherman Station, William M. Robbins.
Sherman Circuit, James A. Bruton.
Whitesboro, John W. Chalk.
Bonham, to be supplied.
Kentuckytown, to be supplied.
Pilot Grove Mission, Denton P. Haggard.
Rockwall Circuit, W. P. Reed, J. W. Fields, Sup.
Greenville, Thomas E. Sherwood.
Sherman High School, Wm. P. Petty, Principal.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Jarvis L. Angell, P. E.

Sulphur Springs Station, Matthew H. Neeley.
Kaufman Circuit, James T. P. Irvine.
Cedar Grove, Marshall C. Simpson.
Garden Valley, John C. Randall.
Prairieville, William A. Smith.
Springville Mission, Eugene T. Bates.
Sulphur Bluff Circuit, Wiley A. Shook.
White Oak Mission, John H. Lowe.
Johnson's Point High School, Aaron H. Brewer, Principal.

Transferred to East Texas Conference, John K. Street.

27.—EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CARTHAGE, MO., November 2—, 1870.

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; DANIEL MORSE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robert D. Wright. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Marion Donegan. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

C. G. Young, Wm. M. Bonner, D. W. Ross. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

E. F. Boone. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

David M. Stovall, S. K. Stovall. 2. W. F. Compton, from the Methodist Protestant Church. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

J. W. Mills, J. C. A. Bridges, Samuel Morris, R. M. Kirby, J. K. Street. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Thomas A. Scurlock. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

E. F. Boone. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

E. F. Boone. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

David J. Davis, Isaiah O'Brien Richardson, C. L. Dawson, Joseph Westmoreland. 4. Gabriel Booker, Willis Keene, Moses Butler (colored). 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Isaiah O'Brien Richardson, Henry C. Burroughs, James N. Bridges, Joseph Westmoreland. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

J. C. A. Bridges. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

J. C. A. Bridges. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Wm. P. Martin. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Wm. P. Martin. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Jeff. Shook, Neil Brown. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

John B. Tullis. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

J. H. Neely. 1.

No memoir.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Marshall District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Marshall Station.....	201	.....	4
Marshall Circuit.....	211	.....	3
Elysian Fields.....	300	.....	1
Carthage.....	623	.....	2
Henderson Station.....	171	.....	4
Belview Circuit.....	334	.....	5
Starville.....	441	.....	7
Harrison Mission.....	207	.....	5
Knoxville Mission.....	94	.....	4
	2582	.....	35

Palestine District.

Palestine Station (no report).....
Kickapoo and Palestine.....	425	.....	5
Tyler Station.....	54	.....	3
Rusk and Alto.....	75	.....	.....
Jacksonville Circuit.....	342	.....	4
Rusk.....	410	.....	5
Athens.....	240	.....	3
	1546	.....	20

San Augustin District.

San Augustin Circuit (no report).....
Jasper.....	327	.....	6
Burksville.....	125	.....	.....
Newton (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Shelbyville.....	361	.....	4
Melrose.....	350	.....	5
Douglass.....	275	.....	6
Mount Enterprise.....	375	.....	.....
Milam Mission.....	215	.....	1
	2028	.....	22

Crockett District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Crockett Circuit.....	456	.....	3
Sumter	160	.....	4
Homer.....	354	.....	8
Woodville.....	75	.....	.....
Livingston.....	191	.....	2
Liberty.....	67	.....	5
Beaumont and Orange.....	37	.....	1
	1340	.....	23

Recapitulation.

Marshall District.....	2582	.....	35
Palestine "	1546	.....	20
San Augustin "	2028	.....	22
Crockett "	1340	.....	23
Total this year.....	7496	.....	100
Total last year.....	7415	803	119
Increase	81	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	803	19

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

347.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

486.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

49.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

186.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

1955.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$761 05 specie, and \$209 45 currency.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$784 70
Applied to widows.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$528 65.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Crockett, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

L. P. Lively, P. E.

Marshall Station, to be supplied.
Marshall Circuit, T. W. Rogers.
Elysian Fields, J. R. Middleton.
Carthage Circuit, N. W. Burks.
New Concord Mission, to be supplied.
Henderson Station, to be supplied.
Belview Circuit, J. R. Bellamy.
Starville, J. S. Mathis.
Hallville Mission, Daniel Morse.
Knoxville Circuit, D. M. Stovall.

PALESTINE DISTRICT.

L. R. Dennis, P. E.

Palestine Station, John Adams.
Palestine Mission, E. P. Rogers.
Kickapoo Circuit, D. P. Cullin.
Rusk Station, J. K. Street, Jeff. Shook, Sup.
Rusk Circuit, L. C. Crouse.
Laurissa, Samuel Morris.
Tyler Station, to be supplied.
Athens Circuit, E. F. Boone.

SAN AUGUSTIN DISTRICT.

B. F. Watkins, P. E.

San Augustin Circuit, to be supplied.
Jasper, E. L. Armstrong.
Burkville, Martin Mathews.
Newton, to be supplied.
Shelbyville, J. W. Mills.
Melrose, A. D. Parks.
Douglass, M. Donegan, J. W. Overall, Sup.
Mount Enterprise, J. C. A. Bridges.
Milam Mission, Simms K. Stovall.

CROCKETT DISTRICT.

J. C. Woolam, P. E.

Crockett Circuit, W. C. Collins.
Sumter, R. D. Wright.
Homer, F. M. Stovall.
Moscow, Allen M. Box.
Woodville, Acton Young.
Mount Hope Mission, R. M. Kirby.
Liberty Station, W. F. Compton.
Wallaceville Mission, Thomas A. Scurlock.
Beaumont, Orange, and Sabine Pass, to be supplied.

28.—TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CHAPPELL HILL, TEXAS, *December 14-20, 1870.*BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; H. V. PHILPOTT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Lindsay T. Wills, Daniel Morgan, Jonathan Burford. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

E. B. Rogers, Elam H. Holbrook, C. L. Farrington, Jacob Bader. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

John S. Clower, Jacob Bader. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Thomas Whitworth, Urban C. Spencer, J. A. Light. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

J. C. Huckabee, A. Albright, C. L. Farrington, O. Fisher. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

John S. Clower, Jacob Kern, E. B. Rogers. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

John S. Clower, Jacob Kern, E. B. Rogers. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

J. S. Bays. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

J. S. Bays. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

A. W. Smith, Archibald McKinney, V. H. Iley, August Engle. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Job M. Baker, A. B. F. Kerr, T. W. Blake, John H. Davidson, Wm. C. Lewis, Francis A. McShan. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

James H. Addison. 1.

JAMES H. ADDISON was born in Baltimore, Md., October 12, 1822; emigrated with his father's family to Texas in 1835; was converted and joined the Church at a camp-meeting held at Waugh Camp-ground, Burleson county, in May, 1844. At the session of the Texas Conference held at La Grange in the fall of 1848, he was received on trial in the traveling connection, and sent to the Brazoria Circuit; in 1850 to Leon; in 1851 to Georgetown; in 1852 to Waxahachie; in 1853 to Bastrop Circuit; in 1854-5 to Waco; in 1856 to Anderson; in 1857 to Plantersville. At the close of this year his name appears as a supernumerary on the Caldwell Circuit. He sustained this relation to the close of his life. He died very suddenly, at Bryan, January 21, 1870. A published notice of his death, prepared by his brother, Rev. O. M. Addison, says: "A recent improvement of his health justified the hope that his pulpit labors might, the present year, be greatly extended, and his plans were laid accordingly. But He who buries his workmen, but carries on his work, had ordained otherwise. The conflict was sooner to end, and the crown was nearer than the soldier thought." In the days of his strength Brother Addison was a laborious and useful minister of the gospel. He leaves a wife and one child to the care and sympathy of the Church.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Ivey H. Cox—withdrawn.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Galveston District.

	White Mem's.	Cold Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston.....	293	.....	2
Bay Mission.....	54	.....	1
Houston.....	210	.....	4
Hempstead.....	93	.....	2
Millican.....	29	.....	.....
Navasota.....	89	.....	3
Bryan Station.....	129	.....	4
Bryan Circuit.....	80	.....	2
	977	.....	18

Huntsville District.

Huntsville.....	90
Cold Springs.....	90	.....	.....
Danville and Waverly.....	174	14	1
Montgomery.....	124	.....	3
Anderson.....	297	.....	1
Madisonville.....	290	25	5
	1065	39	10

Chappell Hill District.

Chappell Hill.....	167	.....	2
Brenham.....	72	.....	1
Union Hill.....	149	.....	4
Bellville.....	118	.....	1
Independence.....	67	.....	2
Caldwell and Lexington.....	200	.....	5
Burleson.....	65	.....	4
	838	.....	19

Columbia District.

Columbia.....	60
Richmond and Wharton.....	70	.....	.....
San Felipe.....	55	.....	2
Matagorda.....	150	.....	2
	335	.....	4

Austin District.

Austin.....	132	5
Austin Circuit.....	50	.....	1
Webberville.....	150	.....	4
Bastrop.....	27	.....	.....
Cedar Creek.....	117	.....	1
Winchester and Fayetteville.....	123	.....	3
La Grange.....	89	.....	.....
Navidad.....	249	.....	5
Columbus.....	230	.....	.....
	1167	.....	19

German Mission District.

Austin Circuit.....	85	.....	1
Bellville and Industry.....	48	.....	2
Bastrop.....	106	.....	1
New Braunfels.....	166	.....	1
New Fountain.....	45	.....	.....
Fredericksburg.....	61	.....	.....
Llano.....	54	.....	.....
Victoria and Yorktown.....	20	.....	2
	575	.....	7

Recapitulation.

Galveston District.....	977	.....	18
Huntsville ".....	1065	39	10
Chappell Hill ".....	838	.....	19
Columbia ".....	335	.....	4
Austin ".....	1167	.....	19
German Mission ".....	575	.....	7
Total this year.....	4957	39	77
Total last year.....	4222	33	58
Increase.....	735	6	19

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
313.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
291.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
38.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
298.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
1917.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers?
No assessment.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$385 00

Applied as follows:

Sister Z. Foote and two children, \$100 00
Sister Drake and two children, 100 00
Sister Wooldridge and two children, 100 00
R. T. Hefflin's two children, 40 00
J. C. Wilson's two children, 45 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$2441 06.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Galveston, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

GALVESTON DISTRICT.

J. M. Wesson, P. E.

Galveston Station, to be supplied.
Galveston Circuit, to be supplied.
Bay Mission, Robert Alexander.
Houston Station, B. T. Kavanaugh.
Houston Circuit, to be supplied.
Hempstead, G. V. Ridley.
Spring Creek, U. C. Spencer.
Navasota Station, H. S. Thrall.
Millican Circuit, Thomas Whitworth.
Bryan Station, H. V. Philpott.
Bryan Circuit, J. C. Huckabee.
Texas Christian Advocate, I. G. John, Editor.
Sunday-school Agent, O. Fisher.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

J. G. Johnson, P. E.

Huntsville Station, G. S. Sandel.
Cold Springs Circuit, to be supplied (by E. A. Stocking).
Danville and Waverly, James A. Light.
Trinity, Daniel Morgan.
Montgomery, C. L. Farrington.
Anderson Station, T. B. Buckingham.

Madisonville, to be supplied (by G. Powlidge).
Zion, to be supplied (by W. Deason), A. W. Smith, Sup.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

J. H. Shapard, P. E.

Columbia Station, J. H. Shapard.
Richmond Circuit, E. B. Rogers.
San Felipe, A. McKinney, Sup.
Matagordo, J. M. Turner.
Velasco, Lindsay T. Wills.
Glover Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Solomon Fisher).
Hartsville Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Levi Samuels).

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT.

B. D. Dashiel, P. E.

Chappell Hill Station, W. G. Connor.
Brenham, F. A. Mood.
Independence Circuit, J. Burford.
Bellville, Jacob Matthews.
Union Hill, R. W. Kennon.
Caldwell, to be supplied (by W. G. Hilton).
Lexington, E. H. Holbrook.
Evergreen, to be supplied (by H. B. Gilly).
Soule University, F. A. Mood, President.
Chappell Hill Female College, W. G. Connor, President.

Soule University and Chappell Hill Female College, W. H. Seat, Agent.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

M. H. Porter, P. E.

Austin Station, F. C. Wilkes.
Austin Circuit, J. W. Whipple.
Webberville Circuit, L. Ercanbrack.
Bastrop Station, David Coulson.
Cedar Creek Circuit, F. L. Allen.
Winchester and Fayetteville, J. S. Clower.
La Grange Station, W. G. Nelms, V. H. Iley, Sup.
Navidad Circuit, J. W. B. Allen.
Osage, A. L. P. Green.
Columbus Station, C. J. Lane.

GERMAN MISSION DISTRICT.

John Schaper, P. E.

Houston Circuit, John A. Pauly.
Bellville and Industry Mission, J. Pruenzing.
Bastrop, Jacob Kern.
New Braunfels Circuit, Wm. Knolle, A. Engel, Sup.
New Fountain Mission, to be supplied (by Ulrich Stiener).
Fredericksburg, to be supplied.
Llano, F. Verdenbaumen.
Victoria and Yorktown, Jacob Bader.
Galveston, A. Albright.

29.—NORTH-WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS, November 16-21, 1870.

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; F. P. RAY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James D. Shaw, James Hiner. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. M. Lewis, Jackson H. Perry. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Isaac P. Jeffers. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Horace Bishop, Augustus A. Cornett, Hiliard B. Smith, Joseph F. Hines. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Oscar M. Addison, W. W. Thomas. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Wm. Price, T. J. Hutson, J. F. W. Toland, H. M. Glass, W. T. Melugin, C. McGuire. 6.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Horace Bishop, A. A. Cornett, H. B. Smith. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Horace Bishop, A. A. Cornett, H. B. Smith. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Isaac Taylor, Theodore M. Price, Lewis M. Craven, John Tisdale, Morgan Mullins, Thomas S. Ewell, R. C. Hendrick, O. D. Wyche, E. C. Cox. 9.

Willis Pickard, Nelson Lee (colored). 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Isaac Taylor, John J. Farmer, W. J. Grant, L. M. Craven, E. C. Cox, M. Mullins, John Tisdale, Thos. S. Ewell, R. C. Hendrick. 9. Willis Pickard, Nelson Lee (colored). 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John F. Neal. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

John F. Neal. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Josiah Phillips, Benj. J. Grace, C. H. Barker, C. C. Gillespie, James H. Miller. 5.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Josiah Phillips, B. J. Grace, C. H. Barker, C. C. Gillespie, J. H. Miller, Francis M. Cary. 6.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

W. F. Cummins, J. P. Mussett, H. M. Glass, S. E. Hale. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

John Powell, Drury Womack. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joseph P. Sneed, Cornelius McGuire. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Waxahachie District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Waxahachie Station.....	143	.....	5
Waxahachie Circuit.....	216	.....	5
Reagan's Chapel.....	53	.....	.....
Milford Circuit.....	59	.....	1
Lancaster.....	315	.....	6
Red Oak.....	58	.....	2
Richland.....	214	.....	6
Corsicana.....	212	.....	3
Chatfield.....	229	.....	3
Hillsboro.....	208	.....	3
	1707	.....	34

Springfield District.

Springfield Circuit.....	276	.....	3
West Navasota.....	53	.....	5
Marlin.....	243	.....	6
Port Sullivan and Cameron.....	310	.....	3
Calvert Station.....	23	.....	1
Owensville Circuit.....	244	.....	3
Wheelock.....	69	.....	2
Centreville.....	290	.....	3
Red Land.....	152	.....	4
Fairfield.....	359	.....	2
	2019	.....	32

Belton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Belton Circuit.....	570	.....	15
Waco Station.....	264	.....	5
Brazos Circuit.....	125	.....	3
Davilla.....	332	.....	4
San Gabriel.....	178	.....	3
Georgetown.....	271	.....	4
Lampasas.....	179	.....	5
Gatesville.....	353	.....	5
Valley Mills.....	227	.....	2
	2499	.....	46

Weatherford District.

Weatherford Station.....	78	.....	2
Weatherford Circuit.....	309	.....	7
Fort Worth.....	201	.....	3
Grand View.....	454	.....	12
Peoria.....	264	.....	6
Acton.....	233	.....	5
Nolan's River.....	135	.....	1
Stephensville.....	235	.....	2
Sulphur Springs Mission.....	229	.....	5
Jacksboro.....	111	.....	4
	2249	.....	47

Recapitulation.

Waxahachie District.....	1707	.....	34
Springfield ".....	2019	.....	32
Belton ".....	2499	.....	46
Weatherford ".....	2249	.....	47
Total this year.....	8474	.....	159
Total last year.....	7011	273	127
Increase.....	1463	.....	32
Decrease.....		273	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
372.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
664.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
50.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
285.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
2024.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected [U. S. C.] \$528 00
Applied as follows:
Sister Lambdin and children, \$175 00
Sister Mullins and children, 175 00
Brother Shegog's son, 100 00
B. A. Kemp, 78 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Missions, \$1243 15
 Anniversary and Old Debt, 600 00
 \$1843 15

Fairfield, T. G. Gilmore.
 Owensville High School, J. S. Lane, Principal.
 Sunday-school Agent, J. S. McCarver.
 Agent for University, S. C. Littlepage.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Corsicana, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

Wm. G. Veal, P. E.

Waxahachie Station, L. B. Whipple.
 Reagan's Chapel, Jerome B. Annis.
 Waxahachie Circuit, Rufus B. Womack.
 Milford, F. P. Ray.
 Lancaster, Wm. Price.
 Richland, Thomas J. Hutson.
 Corsicana, Samuel D. Akin.
 Chatfield, T. W. Hines.
 Hillsboro, W. L. Kidd.
 Marvin College, James D. Shaw, Assistant in Preparatory Department; Guy C. McWilliams, Financial Agent.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Andrew Davis, P. E.

Springfield Circuit, George W. Graves.
 Steel's Creek, J. M. Lewis.
 Marlin, to be supplied (by H. L. Taylor).
 Hearne and Sutton Station, Horace Bishop.
 Calvert, Robert Crawford.
 Owensville Circuit, O. M. Addison.
 Wheelock Mission, J. M. Boyd.
 Centreville Circuit, J. F. Hines.
 Red Land, to be supplied (by L. J. Wright),
 Drury Womack, Sup.

WACO DISTRICT.

John Carpenter, P. E.

Waco Station, Thomas Stanford.
 Port Sullivan and Cameron, J. F. W. Toland.
 Brazos Circuit, James Peeler.
 Davilla, to be supplied (by W. J. King).
 San Gabriel, B. A. Kemp.
 Belton, W. R. D. Stockton.
 Georgetown, J. Fred. Cox.
 Lampasas, John F. Neal.
 Hamilton Mission, Jackson H. Perry.
 Gatesville Circuit, R. J. Perry.
 Valley Mills, W. T. Melugin.
 San Saba Mission, to be supplied (by S. H. Vaughn).
 Waco Female College, Thomas Stanford, Agent.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT.

James M. Jones, P. E.

Weatherford Circuit, W. W. Thomas.
 Walnut Creek, H. B. Smith.
 Jacksboro Station, A. A. Cornett.
 Acton Circuit, James Hiner.
 Nolan's River Mission, to be supplied (by Wiley V. Jones).
 Peoria Circuit, William Vaughn.
 Cleburne, S. S. Yarbrough, John Powell, Sup.
 Fort Worth, John S. Davis.
 Stephenville Mission, James M. Johnson.
 Sulphur Springs, Peter W. Gravis.

Transferred to Los Angeles Conference, Wm. Monk.

30.—WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, Nov. 30-Dec. —, 1870.

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; R. H. BELVIN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Wm. H. Hays. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Jas. H. Tucker. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

A. H. Sutherland, C. R. Shapard, J. C. C. Black. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

A. F. Cox, L. M. McGehee. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Wesley Smith, G. W. Cottingham, J. C. C. Black. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Robert Blasengame. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

A. H. Sutherland, Charles R. Shapard, J. C. C. Black. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

A. H. Sutherland, C. R. Shapard, J. C. C. Black. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

J. H. Tucker, K. J. McLemore (white). 2.
Henry Moseby, James Holt (colored). 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

J. H. Tucker, K. J. McLemore (white). 2.
Henry Moseby, James Holt (colored). 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Ed. G. Duvall, Robert Blasengame. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Ed. G. Duvall, Robert Blasengame. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

James T. Gillett, David W. Fly. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Thomas Myers, H. A. Graves. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Jesse Hord, A. B. Duvall. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Henderson S. Laferty, Solomon T. Bridges. 2.

HENDERSON S. LAFERTY died in De Witt county, Texas, at the residence of Mr. Webb Wofford, June 15, 1870, in the seventy-second year of his age. He died with heaven in view. His last moments were peaceful and calm. He assured a brother, who visited him, that the blessed gospel that he had preached to others now comforted him, and that he freely gave all into the hands of Jesus. He was licensed to preach in the twentieth year of his age, and for fifty years was a faithful minister of the gospel and an able expounder of its truths. He was charitable to those who differed from him in opinion, but sustained with zeal the doctrines and usages of his beloved Methodism. He was a workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth, and shunned not to declare the whole counsel of God. He was transferred to the Texas Conference in 1846, and when this Conference was organized he cast his lot among us. He has filled many important appointments with great credit to himself and the holy cause he vindicated. His godly admonitions and kindness to the children

made him a favorite among them. He felt an abiding interest in the Sabbath-school cause. When his affliction prevented him from preaching he attended the Sabbath-school, and instructed the children, and tried to lead them in the way to heaven. He only ceased to work when he ceased to live. The energy displayed by him when at Corpus Christi, as their first pastor, was characteristic of Brother Laferty. He labored with his own hands, assisting to build the first church, and gave organic form to Methodism in that section. The brethren there express their heart-felt affection for him, and a high appreciation of his labors of love. A father in Israel is gone. A master workman has fallen.

SOLOMON T. BRIDGES was born December 22, 1822, in Putnam county, Ga., and departed this life November 13, 1870. In December, 1846, he was married to Miss Martha Jane Taylor, who still survives to mourn his loss. He and his wife united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, May 26, 1847. In the fall of 1852 he removed to Texas, and in the fall of 1853 was licensed to preach by Orceneth Fisher. The following year he joined the East Texas Conference, and consecutively traveled the Palestine, Upsher, Linden, Harrison, Jasper, and Kickapoo Circuits. He located in 1860, and in 1861 he joined the Confederate service, in which he continued four years, preaching constantly as occasion offered. After the war he continued local until he joined the West Texas Conference, at Seguin in 1866, and was appointed to Goliad Station. The following year he was appointed to Lockhart Circuit, and, after a successful year of ardent labor on that circuit, his health was so far impaired that he was granted a supernumerary relation, and continued in that relation until the close of his life. His last public labor was performed at Lockhart during a revival. His sermon was of great power, and his prayer remarkable for its pathos, melting the whole audience to tears. Soon after this he removed to Columbus, where he finished his course. As his health declined, his soul appeared to ripen for heaven. He was a great sufferer, but bore his pain with marked patience, and was frequently very happy. He had often expressed a desire to die on the Lord's-day, and God fulfilled the desire of his faithful servant. His spirit took its flight on Sabbath morning, at five o'clock, November 13, 1870. He was a man of liberal education, and of more than ordinary ability as a preacher. He filled with great acceptability every charge to which he was appointed.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

San Antonio District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Antonio Station	60	.....	1
Pleasanton Circuit.....	171	1	4
Uvalde	66	.....	.....
Kerrville.	150	.....	5
Cibola	101	.....	1
Sutherland Springs.....	115	.....	2
Seguin and New Braunfels.....	104	10	.....
	767	11	13

Gonzales District.

Gonzales Circuit.....	254	50	1
Concrete and Victoria.....	239	10	2
Lockhart.....	214	.....	3
San Marcos.....	179	.....	2
Texana.....	214	.....	2
Blanco.....	110	.....	2
	1210	60	12

Goliad District.

Goliad Station.....	98	23	2
Helena Circuit.....	300	8	2
Leesburg.....	217	.....	5
Sanders	56	.....	1
Clinton	117	56	1
Lavaca and Indianola.....	40	14	.....
	828	101	11

Corpus Christi District.

Corpus Christi Station.....	58
Rockport Circuit.....	120	.....	2
St. Mary's.....	47	.....	.....
Beeville and Oakville.....	80	.....	3
Conquesta.....	20	.....	.....
Nueces River.....	63	.....	.....
	388	.....	5

Recapitulation.

San Antonio District.....	767	11	13
Gonzales	1210	60	12
Goliad	828	101	11
Corpus Christi	388	.....	5
Total this year.....	3193	172	41
Total last year.....	3051	271	48
Increase	142	.....	7
Decrease.....		99	7

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
206.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
261.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
43.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
227.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
1621.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$575 00.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$465 00

Applied as follows:

Jesse Hord,	\$ 69 00
A. B. Duvall,	59 00
Mrs. H. S. Laferty,	69 00
Mrs. S. T. Bridges,	59 00
Mrs. Wm. E. Harris and children,	109 00
A. Smithwick's children,	100 00
	\$465 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

For Domestic Missions,	\$768 05
For Foreign Missions,	17 45

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Leesburg, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

John S. Gillett, P. E.

San Antonio Station, Buckner Harris.
Sutherland Springs Circuit, Robt. M. Leaton.
Cibola, Ed. G. Duvall.
Pleasanton Mission, to be supplied (by Wm. C. Newton).
Summerset Circuit, Andrew J. Porter.
Uvalde, Wm. H. Hays.
Kerrville, to be supplied.
San Antonio Colored Charge, R. H. Belvin.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.

W. T. Thornbury, P. E.

San Marcos Circuit, Wesley Smith.
Lockhart and Prairie Lea, A. H. Sutherland.
Seguin, John L. Harper.
Belmont Mission, to be supplied.
Gonzales Circuit, to be supplied (by T. A. Lancaster).
Blanco Mission, C. M. Carpenter.
Walnut Creek, to be supplied.
Seguin Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Henry Moseby).
Gonzales Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Henry Brown).

GOLIAD DISTRICT.

Eli Y. Seale, P. E.

Goliad Station, Curran M. Rogers.
Helena and Escondido Circuit, to be supplied (by O. S. Farvell).
Yorktown, Charles R. Shapard.
Leesburg, A. A. Killough, H. A. Graves, Sup.
Sandies Mission, to be supplied (by M. A. Black).
Clinton Circuit, L. M. McGehee.
Goliad Colored Charge, to be supplied (by J. Holt).

Guadalupe Colored Charge, to be supplied (by J. Coleman).
Helena Colored Charge, to be supplied.

VICTORIA DISTRICT.

O. A. Fisher, P. E.

Victoria Station, James W. Cooley.
Indianola and Lavaca Circuit, to be supplied (by H. G. Horton).
Kemper, to be supplied.
Texana, to be supplied (by J. A. Light).
Hallettsville, to be supplied (by J. F. Cook).
Concrete, Robert Blasengame.
Texana Colored Charge, to be supplied.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT.

John W. De Vibiss, P. E.

Corpus Christi Station, James W. Brown.
Rockport Circuit, J. N. Tucker.
Lamar Mission, to be supplied (by Thos. Myers, Sup.).
St. Mary's Circuit, to be supplied.
Beeville, R. Gillett.
Meansville, A. F. Cox.
Nueces River Mission, J. C. C. Black
Sunday-school Agent, James G. Walker.
Guadalupe Male and Female College, G. W. Cottingham, Agent.
American Bible Society, Wm. J. Joyce, Agent.

31.—LOS ANGELES CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., *October 26-30, 1870.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; ABRAM ADAMS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. None.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John W. Allen. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

William Moores, G. E. Butler, Wm. Monk. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

A. Groves.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Noah McCuistian. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Los Angeles Station.....	14	.....	.....
Los Nietos Circuit.....	165	.....	4
El Monte.....	63	.....	2
San Bernardino.....	96	.....	2
San Buenaventura.....	60	.....	1
Santa Barbara Mission.....	37	.....	1
San Luis Obispo Circuit (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
San Diego.....	40	.....	.....
San Luis Rey (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Prescott City (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
	475	.....	10

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
19.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
29.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
3.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
16.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
120.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
No demand.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$6 75
Applied to missionary purposes.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$85.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At El Monte.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.

W. A. Spurlock, P. E.

Los Angeles Station, M. W. Glover.
Los Angeles Circuit, to be supplied (by S. M. Adams).
Los Nietos, W. Moores.
El Monte, A. Adams.
Santa Clara, J. E. Millér.
Santa Barbara, D. M. Rice.
San Luis Obispo, J. W. Allen.
Tehachipie, to be supplied (by J. M. Rogers).
Los Nietos Collegiate Institute, G. E. Butler, Principal.

SAN BERNARDINO DISTRICT.

W. Monk, P. E.

San Bernardino, to be supplied (by W. Monk).
San Bernardino Circuit, to be supplied.
Arizona, A. Groves.
San Luis Rey, to be supplied
San Diego, to be supplied.
Sunday-school Agent, R. A. Latimer.

32.—PACIFIC CONFERENCE.

HELD AT STOCKTON, CAL., October 5-10, 1870.

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; E. K. MILLER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Robert H. Rhodes, Asbury P. Black, Thomas Knight Howell. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
John W. Wood. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?
James K. P. Price, David F. Overton, Lewis C. Renfro. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?
None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
J. W. Bennett. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?
James M. Alsanson. 1.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?
J. K. P. Price. 1.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?
Asbury P. Black, Wm. H. Howard. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Hugh K. Freeman, David A. Jamison. 2.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

E. B. Lockley, G. E. Dean, J. W. Bennett. 3.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Iry Taylor, J. L. Porter. 2.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

Wm. M. Culp. 1.

WILLIAM MCKENDREE CULP was born in Barren county, Kentucky, December 5, 1831; he removed to Missouri in 1845; made a profession of faith in Christ in 1849; emigrated to California in 1854, and was licensed to preach in 1857; was admitted into the Pacific Conference in 1858, and from that date until his death, on the Snelling Circuit, March 11, 1870, he was a zealous, earnest, and self-denying minister of the gospel. A part of the time he labored in Oregon, where, with other devoted men of God, who planted Southern Methodism in that field, he labored with characteristic zeal. Born of Methodist parents, reared in the Methodist Church, his whole career illustrated the value of religious training, and the truth of that declaration of God's word, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Brother Culp's personal, religious life, was marked by a fervent spirit, and his deep feelings often overflowed in shouts and tears of holy joy. He was a sweet singer, an earnest preacher, and faithful pastor. Born and reared in the Church, he served it well, and died with a triumphant faith in Christ.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed. J. L. Burchard, withdrawn.

Ques. 16. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

San Francisco District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Francisco.....	68	.....	2
San Jose.....	104	.....	1
Santa Clara.....	190	.....	3
Gilroy.....	47	.....	.....
Hollister.....	52	.....	1
Watsonville.....	62	.....	1
Sacramento.....	44	.....	1
Hicksville.....	42	.....	.....
Liberty.....	88	.....	.....
Stockton.....	28	.....	2
	725	.....	11

Petaluma District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Petaluma.....	60	.....	.....
Santa Rosa.....	53	.....	.....
Sebastopol.....	157	.....	.....
Healdsburg.....	135	.....	3
Ukiah.....	138	.....	6
Point Arenas.....	24	.....	.....
Suisun.....	92	.....	.....
Vacaville.....	95	.....	2
Silveyville.....	60	.....	.....
Clear Lake.....	60	.....	1
	874	.....	11

Colusa District.

Colusa.....	56	.....	1
Knight's Landing.....	102	.....	3
Yuba city.....	30	.....	.....
Wheatland.....	70	.....	1
Oroville.....	11	.....	1
Chico.....	65	.....	1
Princeton and Red Bluff.....	44	.....	.....
Stony Creek.....	28	.....	.....
Shasta.....	111	.....	2
	577	.....	9

Visalia District.

Stockton Circuit.....	32	.....	.....
Empire.....	105	.....	2
Snelling.....	100	.....	2
Millerton.....	170	.....	5
Visalia.....	327	.....	5
Mariposa.....	65	.....	.....
Sonora.....	25	.....	.....
Copperopolis.....	20	.....	.....
Linden.....	110	.....	1
Hill's Ferry.....	9	.....	.....
	963	.....	15

Recapitulation.

San Francisco District.....	725	.....	11
Petaluma.....	874	.....	11
Colusa.....	577	.....	9
Visalia.....	963	.....	15
Total this year.....	3139	.....	46
Total last year.....	3251	.....	51
Decrease.....	112	.....	5

Ques. 17. How many infants and adults have been baptized during the year?

Adults, 218
Infants, 247

Ques. 18. What is the number of Sunday-schools, teachers, and scholars?

Schools, 49
Teachers, 323
Scholars, 2109

Ques. 19. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$850.

Ques. 20. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$575 90
Applied as follows:

Sister Cox,	\$ 100 00
Mrs. Culp and children,	173 12
Mrs. Grey and child,	114 62
Mrs. Peterson and children,	158 50
Children of Brother Blythe,	29 25

Ques. 21. What has been contributed for the
Missionary and Tract Societies?
Missions, \$620 00

Ques. 22. When and where shall the next ses-
sion of the Conference be held?
At San Jose, California.

Ques. 23. Where are the preachers stationed
this year?

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.

E. K. Miller, P. E.

San Francisco, A. M. Bailey.
Oakland, O. P. Fitzgerald.
Sacramento, W. R. Gober.
Hicksville, L. D. Hargiss.
Mokelumne, T. D. Clanton.
Stockton, L. C. Renfro.
San Jose, G. Sim.
Santa Clara, I. L. Hopkins, R. H. Rhodes.
Gilroy, J. C. Pendergrast.
Hollister, G. M. Edwards.
Watsonville, J. K. P. Price.

SANTA ROSA DISTRICT.

T. C. Barton, P. E.

Petaluma, B. F. Burris.
Santa Rosa, S. Brown.
Sebastopol, F. M. Staton.
Healdsburg, S. W. Davies.
Ukiah, T. S. Burnett.
Point Arenas, to be supplied.
Little Lake, L. J. Hedgpeth.

Clear Lake, to be supplied.
Vallejo and Napa, Jesse Wood.
Suisun, W. F. Compton.
Vacaville, J. P. Jones.
Dixon, J. Gruwell.

COLUSA DISTRICT.

T. H. B. Anderson, P. E.

Colusa, G. W. Fleming.
Colusa Circuit, B. C. Howard.
Bear Valley, John W. Wood.
Princeton, J. G. Shelton.
Red Bluff, to be supplied.
Millville, to be supplied.
Chico, J. Hedgpeth.
Yuba City, B. H. Russell.
Wheatland, J. M. Ward.
Knight's Landing, J. Kelsay.
Grass Valley, to be supplied.

VISALIA DISTRICT.

J. W. Leach, P. E.

Visalia, T. K. Howell.
Visalia Circuit, J. M. Alsanson.
Kingston, J. M. Craig.
Millerton, J. H. Neal.
Mariposa, J. M. Overton.
Snelling, J. M. Lovell.
Empire, L. Cately.
Stockton Circuit, A. P. Black.
Linden, P. O. Clayton.
Sonora, D. F. Overton.
Plainsburg Mission, G. W. Wood.
Conference Sunday-school Agent, J. C. Simmons.

Transferred to Texas Conference, O. Fisher.

Transferred to Columbia Conference, D. R.
Johnson.

33.—COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT DALLAS, OREGON, September 7-11, 1870.

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; JOSEPH EMERY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robertson T. Weatherly, Elijah
G. Michael, John Wallace, John W. Starr. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
None.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connec-
tion?

Nathan M. Elton, Benjamin F. Burch. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?
None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from
other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?
None.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected
and ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected
and ordained deacons?

None.
 Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?
 None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?
 None.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?
 None.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?
 None.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?
 None.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?
 Levi Van Slyke. 1.
 No memoir.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 16. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Local preachers,	16
Members (white),	1073
Details not given.	

Ques. 17. How many infants and adults have been baptized during the year?

Infants,	50
Adults,	80

Ques. 18. What is the number of Sunday-schools, teachers, and scholars?

Sunday-schools,	9
Teachers,	40
Scholars,	305

Ques. 19. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

No estimate, it being the first Conference.

Ques. 20. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?
 Nothing collected.

Ques. 21. What has been contributed for the Missionary and Tract Societies?

For Missions,	\$102 50
For Old Debt, collected at Conference,	50 00

Ques. 22. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Santiam, Linn county, Oregon.

Ques. 23. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

OREGON DISTRICT.

A. E. Sears, P. E.

Dallas Circuit, R. C. Oglesby.

{ Corvallis, Joseph Emery.

{ Albany, Wm. A. Finley.

Albany Circuit, E. G. Michael.

Brownsville, J. W. Stahl.

La Fayette, John Wallace.

St. Helen's Mission, R. T. Matherly.

Oregon City Circuit, to be supplied (by Eliel Oliver).

Corvallis College, W. A. Finley, President; Jos. Emery, Prof. of Mathematics; B. T. Burch, B. R. Barter, Agents.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

D. C. McFarland, P. E.

Jacksonville Circuit, G. W. Flemming.

Roseburg and Oakland Mission, N. M. Elton.

Coast Fork, to be supplied.

Eugene Circuit, R. C. Martin.

UMATILLA DISTRICT.

C. H. E. Newton, P. E.

Walla Walla Circuit, to be supplied (by B. F. King).

Umatilla Meadows and Birch Creek, to be supplied.

Powder River Valley, J. W. Starr.

34.—ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT KINMUNDY, ILL., October 12-16, 1870.

BISHOP McTYEIRE, *President*; THOMAS D. DEEDS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Andrew D. Hocker, William Thurman, Richard Gillespie, William Y. Gray, Randolph P. Jones. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

William B. Lewellin, Thomas M. Ragsdale, George T. Nichols, William L. Corbin. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

James H. Davison, James H. Douthett, Adam C. Johnson. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Robert Tucker, William D. Ward, John L. Branstetter, John S. Kean. 4. Elders admitted from the M. E. Church, William C. Blundell, Austin F. Rodgers. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Wm. B. Lewellin, John S. Kean, James H. Douthett, Wm. D. Ward, Adam C. Johnson, Jas. T. Settle, William L. Corbin, Ansell Minor. 8.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

George O. Hilton, Samuel Myers. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

John S. Kean, William D. Ward, William B. Lewellin. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

John S. Kean, William D. Ward, William B. Lewellin. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Leonard D. Tarrant, Henry Walls, Andrew D. Hocker, Dempsey Best. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Leonard D. Tarrant, Andrew D. Hocker. 2. Recognized—Richard Gillespie, Joseph B. Edmondson. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John L. Branstetter, Thomas A. Scruggs, Wm. B. Beagle, John A. Beagle, Thomas R. Kendall, Matthew R. Gohagen. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are organized elders?

John L. Branstetter, Thomas A. Scruggs, Wm. B. Beagle, John A. Beagle, Thomas R. Kendall,

Matthew R. Gohagen. 6. Recognized from the M. E. Church—William C. Blundell, Austin F. Rodgers. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

John Smith, Joseph B. Edmondson. 2. Those not present to be ordained.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Recognized—Daniel Dilling, from the M. P. Church; Silas Veitch, A. Merrill, from the M. E. Church. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

James R. Prickett, Benjamin F. Zumwalt, John Campbell, James T. Settle. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Joseph Howard, Thomas D. Deeds, William Finley. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

John H. Posey. 1.

JOHN HENDERSON POSEY was born September 17, 1819, in Breckinridge county, Kentucky; emigrated with his parents in early life to Illinois, and settled in Morgan county. His first religious impressions were at about the age of seventeen. When he attained to the years of manhood he came to Missouri, and there connected himself with the Methodist Church. He was married to Mrs. Rebecca Lurton, in the city of St. Charles, Missouri, September 5, 1846. He was licensed as a local preacher at Pauldingsville, July 16, 1853; ordained a deacon by Bishop Andrew, at Glasgow, September 20, 1857. In his local relation to the M. E. Church, South, he was faithful and useful. During the summer of 1866, learning the demand for preachers in the organization known as the Christian Union Church in the State of Illinois, he responded to the Macedonian call; was received as a fellow-laborer to share the toils, privations, and persecutions of his brethren in this noble cause. His first appointment was the Barry Circuit, which he filled for two consecutive years, with true Christian fidelity, zeal, and sacrifice; and, as the result of his faithful labors as a pastor and preacher, he reported at the close of his second year seventy-five members—there being no organization of ours when he took charge of that work. At our Conference, which met at Canton, September, 1868, he was appointed to the Lima

Circuit, to which he removed and promptly entered upon his work; was well received and kindly cared for by the Church. About this period the disease began to develop itself which terminated his earthly pilgrimage, viz., chronic bronchitis. He labored on, however, with unabated zeal, had a most interesting revival on his charge, and at the close of the year, when he appeared among his brethren at the session of our Conference which met at Bloomington, September, 1869, his brethren of the Conference well remember his pale features and emaciated form as he appeared among them. He asked no change, however, in his relation to the Conference; was returned as effective for the second year to the same charge. But his health and strength more rapidly failed, so that he filled but few appointments on his charge after his return from Conference. He seemed hopeful of recovery and reluctant to yield to the power of disease—not that he feared to die, but such was his ardent desire to preach Christ and labor for the Church. For two reasons he said he desired to live, if it were the Master's will: First, for the sake of the Church—to labor in the cause of Christ; secondly, on account of his family. But he submitted all to Him who doeth all things well. He lingered on until November 13, 1869, when his ransomed spirit soared to its rest and reward in heaven. As a preacher, he was earnest and pathetic. His style was rather topical than strictly textual—hortatory rather than argumentative. He drew his artillery directly from the living oracles, and the unction of the Divine Spirit rendered the messages he delivered often quick and powerful. Sinners were awakened, mourners converted, and believers made to rejoice in God. He ever regarded the ministry as the most sacred vocation on earth. His high appreciation of its sanctity and responsibility was such at times as almost to overpower his own spirit. He was a true itinerant in heart and practice. He remarked to a member of his charge a few days before his death: "Brother Roley, when I fall, it will be with my armor on." He was a faithful pastor, an humble Christian, kind and obliging neighbor, tender father, and affectionate husband.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except William D. Cove, who was expelled. David B. Sapp was left without appointment, and case referred to Presiding Elder for investigation.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Cairo District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jonesboro and Carbondale.....	95	.....	.....
Murphysboro.....	252	.....	.....
Chester.....	75	.....	.....
Nashville and Ashley.....	240	.....	1
Benton.....	113	.....	2

Cairo District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marion.....	110	.....	6
McLeansboro.....	235	.....	1
Equality.....	150	.....	2
Grayville.....	5	.....	.....
Mount Vernon.....	160	.....	2
Vienna.....	46	.....	.....
	1481	.....	14

Salem District.

Salem.....	425	2
Xenia.....	170	.....	1
Clay City and Olney.....	100	.....	1
Fairfield.....	123	.....	1
Rome.....	347	.....	3
Effingham Station.....	24	.....	.....
Loudon City.....	400	.....	4
Patoka Mission.....	162	.....	.....
New Douglass.....	273	.....	6
Prairie City.....	79	.....	1
	2103	.....	19

Springfield District.

Springfield.....	47	.....	.....
Bloomington Station.....	33	.....	1
Jacksonville.....	24	.....	2
Clinton.....	110	.....	1
Taylorville.....	25	.....	.....
Waverly.....	160	.....	2
Detroit.....	30	.....	.....
Barry.....	51	.....	1
Mount Sterling.....	85	.....	2
Rushville.....	153	.....	2
Girard.....	36	.....	.....
Heyworth.....	66	.....	1
Pana.....	44	.....	.....
	864	.....	12

Peoria District.

Canton Station.....	60	.....	1
Lewistown.....	80	.....	.....
Lewistown Mission.....	17	.....	.....
Cuba.....	75	.....	1
Marietta.....	12	.....	.....
Ottawa.....	35	.....	.....
Rochester Mission.....	12	.....	1
Lancaster.....	12	.....	.....
Midway and Farmington.....	57	.....	.....
La Prairie.....	58	.....	.....
Lima.....	49	.....	.....
Knoxville Mission.....	5	.....	.....
	472	.....	3

Recapitulation.

Cairo District.....	1481	.....	14
Salem.....	2103	.....	19
Springfield.....	864	.....	12
Peoria.....	472	.....	3
Total this year.....	4920	.....	48
Total last year.....	4694	.....	46
Increase.....	226	.....	2

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
198.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
456.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
83.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
614.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3790.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$100.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$46 15
Applied to the benefit of Sister Posey.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$268 74.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Ashley, Washington county, Ill.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SALEM DISTRICT.

T. B. Harben, P. E.

Salem Circuit, John L. Branstetter, T. D. Deeds, Sup.

Rome, N. P. Halsey.

Kinmundy, L. Effingham, M. R. Jones.

Patoka, J. D. Gray, W. B. Lewellin.

Loudon City, Wm. L. Corbin, W. Y. Gray.

New Douglass, John A. Beagle.

Marshall, Wm. C. Blundell, one to be supplied.

Montrose, to be supplied (by J. F. Hensley).

Prairie City Mission, to be supplied (by A. Caldwell).

Vandalia, to be supplied.

CAIRO DISTRICT.

W. J. Snively, P. E.

Jonesboro Circuit, A. D. Hocker.

Murphysboro, B. R. Hester, A. L. Davis.

Carbondale, E. Tucker.

Marion, W. P. Nance, Wm. Finley, Sup.

Chester, George T. Nichols.

Nashville and Ashley, one to be supplied, R. P. Jones.

Verandah, M. R. Gohagen.

Benton, Wm. Thurman.

Metropolis, to be supplied.

Golconda, to be supplied.

XENIA DISTRICT.

Thomas L. Foster, P. E.

Olney Circuit, to be supplied.

Clay City, W. B. Beagle.

Xenia, J. W. Westcott.

Fairfield, W. S. Asbury.

McLeansboro, Thomas M. Ragsdale.

Grayville, John S. Kean.

Laurenceville, to be supplied.

Equality, to be supplied (by W. H. White).

Mount Carmel, to be supplied.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

R. Smithson, P. E.

Springfield Circuit, Austin F. Rodgers.

Jacksonville, T. B. Harris.

Champagne, to be supplied.

Waverly, to be supplied (by J. D. Mills).

Girard, to be supplied (by James Rollston).

Pana, J. W. Nicodemus.

Taylorville, to be supplied.

Shelbyville, to be supplied.

CANTON DISTRICT.

W. R. Howard, P. E.

Canton Station, Ansell Minor.

Lewistown, Colin Murchison.

Lewistown Circuit, to be supplied (by A. Merrill).

Cuba and Marietta, D. T. Sherman.

Midway, T. L. Duke.

Yates City, to be supplied.

Knoxville, to be supplied.

Bloomington Station, R. H. Read.

Clinton Circuit, R. P. Holt, J. Howard, Sup.

Heyworth, to be supplied.

Ottawa, Richard Gillespie.

RUSHVILLE DISTRICT.

S. J. Catlin, P. E.

Rushville Station, W. B. Johnsey.

Rushville Circuit, Thomas A. Scruggs.

Mount Sterling, H. G. Carden.

Barry, G. O. Hilton.

Detroit, W. D. Ward.

Lima, T. R. Kendall.

La Prairie, Samuel Myers.

Blandinville, to be supplied.

B. T. Pearson, transferred to Mississippi Conference.

W. G. Davis, transferred to Trinity Conference.

O. Smithson, transferred to Western Conference.

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

CONFERENCES.	Trav'ing Preach'rs.	Sup'd Preach'rs.	Local Preach'rs.	White Members.	Colored Members.	Indian Members.	Total M's and Mb's.	Infants Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Sunday schools.	S. S. Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	Collection for Conf. Cl'm n'a.	Collection for Missions.
1 Baltimore.....	163	5	104	21,616	133	.....	22,021	1380	1071	350	2858	17,985	\$2496 38	\$58,820
2 Virginia.....	153	11	150	39,425	937	.....	40,676	1060	1787	539	5322	28,443	3812 68	4208 91
3 Western Virginia.....	45	85	85	10,860	22	.....	11,015	198	535	146	1136	6,040	820 51	272 93
4 Holston.....	116	7	221	29,473	190	82	30,089	1147	1340	388	2646	18,044	857 25	1853 30
5 North Carolina.....	134	6	221	46,051	1,205	.....	47,617	1398	1866	597	3703	24,848	2138 88	2111 95
6 North Carolina.....	128	9	131	32,240	1,536	.....	34,040	1511	1670	386	2502	15,837	3791 85	2909 68
7 North Carolina.....	134	12	395	42,121	851	.....	43,517	1186	1610	452	3378	22,795	4924 38	7137 32
8 South Georgia.....	109	18	216	23,147	653	.....	24,143	843	1606	203	1910	12,843	4380 27	7749 24
9 Florida.....	49	1	78	7,062	54	.....	7,244	348	488	88	488	2,814	654 01	950 58
10 Alabama.....	122	15	208	23,564	752	.....	24,661	1621	992	262	1823	12,123	5156 00	4998 50
11 North Alabama.....	101	6	259	22,460	188	.....	23,014	559	1630	261	1386	9,952	1154 95	2010 36
12 Louisiana.....	64	5	99	9,044	2,343	.....	11,555	726	720	76	608	3,827	2270 80	4663 25
13 Mississippi.....	104	7	146	16,385	520	.....	16,162	892	1084	149	892	5,942	2802 60	1116 60
14 North Mississippi.....	110	10	190	21,757	58	.....	22,125	746	1491	200	1112	8,072	1757 25	1486 05
15 Memphis.....	100	10	261	25,177	30	.....	25,578	621	1604	244	1786	11,984	1285 80	2402 50
16 Tennessee.....	155	7	302	33,789	173	.....	34,428	654	2408	320	2039	15,381	2108 05	5509 16
17 Kentucky.....	90	7	114	17,313	225	.....	17,749	304	1190	130	947	6,216	1876 05	4983 23
18 Kentucky.....	103	8	186	25,398	202	.....	25,957	655	1326	175	1135	9,449	1852 90	4074 75
19 St. Louis.....	103	6	204	20,364	243	.....	20,920	806	1343	173	1313	10,451	2826 00	6512 00
20 Missouri.....	97	5	119	20,098	133	.....	20,452	636	1577	180	1339	8,862	2031 10	3810 33
21 Western.....	24	1	111	1,538	133	37	1,744	471	187	12	132	985	163 50	236 75
22 Indian Mission.....	17	.....	64	139	437	3833	4,480	472	651	12	35	372	235 85	386 95
23 Arkansas.....	48	1	86	7,553	35	.....	8,023	211	389	71	417	2,808	251 65	1090 65
24 White River.....	43	.....	90	8,249	163	.....	8,545	238	453	93	461	3,040	1903 75	1073 87
25 Little Rock.....	70	4	138	13,075	.....	.....	13,287	449	807	169	886	5,448	1132 00	3543 95
26 Trinity.....	50	10	149	10,652	1,776	.....	12,637	538	1048	86	373	4,065	784 70	1000 00
27 East Texas.....	35	1	100	7,496	39	.....	7,632	347	486	49	188	1,955	385 00	528 65
28 Texas.....	55	6	77	4,957	.....	.....	5,134	313	291	38	298	1,917	528 00	2441 06
29 North West Texas.....	48	2	159	8,474	172	.....	8,683	372	664	50	285	2,024	628 00	1843 15
30 West Texas.....	30	2	41	3,193	.....	.....	3,438	206	261	43	227	1,021	405 00	785 50
31 Los Angeles.....	30	2	10	3,475	.....	.....	496	19	29	3	16	120	6 75	85 00
32 Pacific.....	11	.....	10	3,139	.....	.....	3,234	247	218	49	323	2,109	575 90	620 00
33 Columbia.....	47	2	46	1,073	.....	.....	1,107	50	80	9	40	305	.....	152 50
34 Illinois.....	49	.....	48	4,920	.....	.....	5,017	198	456	83	614	3,790	46 15	268 74
Total in 1870.....	2725	187	4714	561,577	13,243	3952	589,418	21,002	34,408	6173	42,505	282,467	\$54,875 96	\$88,675 61
Total in 1869.....	2646	187	4753	540,820	19,686	3149	571,241	19,776	34,539	5951	41,850	278,149	53,181 77	77,746 37
Increase.....	79	.....	39	20,757	6,423	803	15,177	1,226	131	222	675	4,318	\$1,694 19	\$10,929 24
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

[The transferred preachers are reckoned with those of the Conferences to which they now belong. The ten Bishops are not counted: their addition would make the number of traveling preachers, including those on the superannuated list, 2,922. The preachers who located this year (71) are not counted; on the other hand the preachers who were admitted on trial (247), and those who were readmitted (48), are counted among the traveling preachers, though many of them are also reckoned with the local preachers. There are some members in China who are not counted, not being officially reported. There are defects in the Minutes of some of the Conferences, which the editor vainly endeavored to supply. The returns of baptisms are specially imperfect. The preachers and members of the separate Colored Connection, which the Bishops have organized, are not counted here, as they have their own Minutes.]

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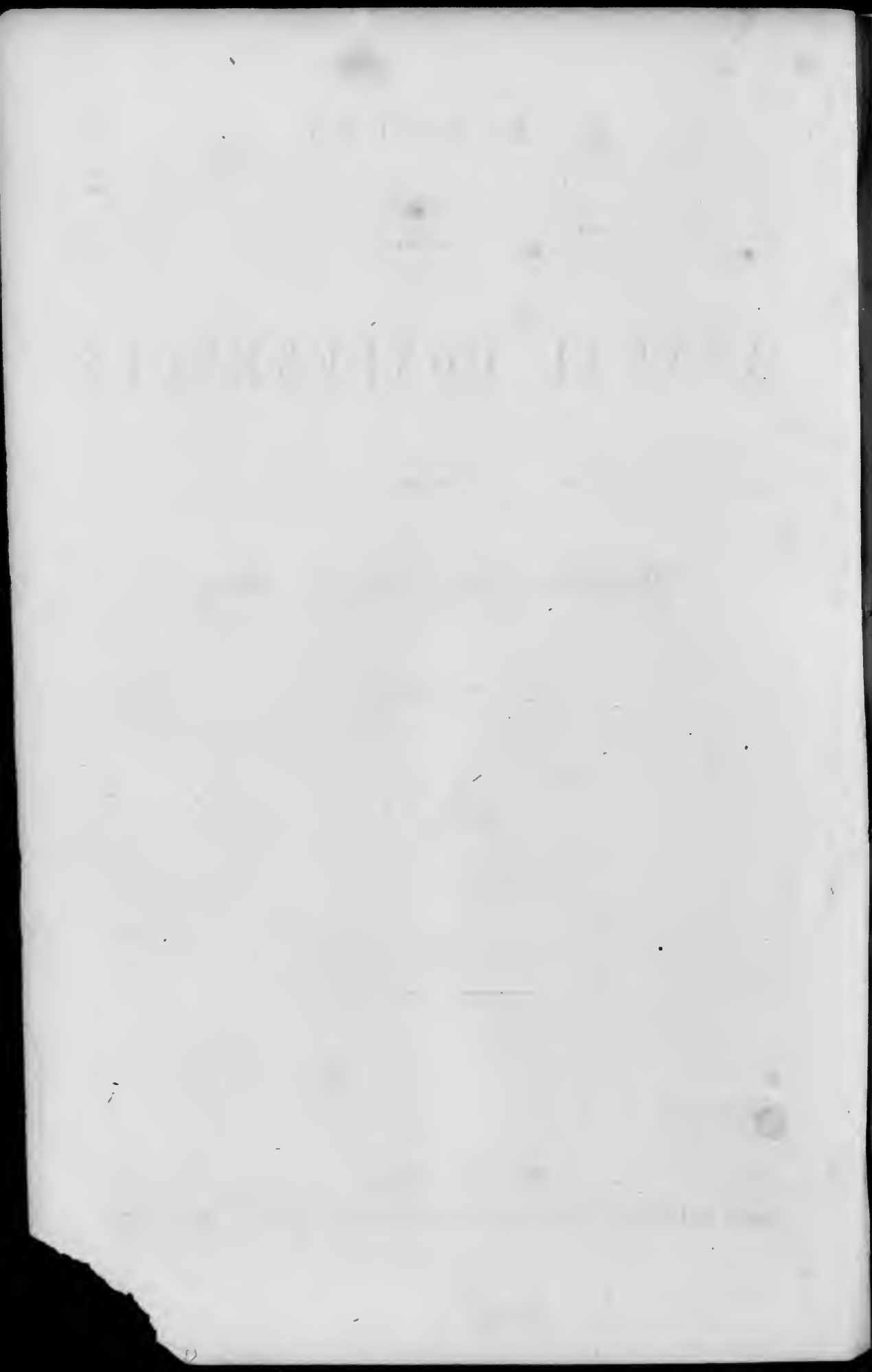
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MINUTES.

I.—BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SALEM, VA., *March 8-14, 1871.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; JOHN S. MARTIN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Beverly Waugh Bond, William E. Miller, James T. Williams, James F. Follin, James Rembert Smith, Asbury C. McNeer, Charles E. Beauchamp, Hamilton W. Kinzer. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James D. Nalley, Jefferson W. Duffy, Leslie H. Davis, John S. Hutchinson, B. S. Highly, Robert Ross. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

William H. D. Harper, George T. Tyler, Richard S. Shreve, Francis H. Shipley, Frazier Furr, Henry D. Bishop, William O. Ross Samuel W. Haddaway. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Wm. G. Hammond, Williamson Harris. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Samuel K. Cox (from the Alabama Conference), L. H. Graybill (from the Virginia Conference). 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Wm. H. Mason, C. C. Wertenbaker. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Francis H. Shipley, Frazier Furr, Henry D. Bishop, William O. Ross, Samuel W. Haddaway. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Francis H. Shipley, Frazier Furr, Henry D. Bishop, William O. Ross, Samuel W. Haddaway. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Abram Hogan. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Walter W. Watts, H. Monroe Strickler, Silas R. Snapp, James F. Clarke, William C. Maloy, John A. Kern, Asbury R. Martin, William H. D. Harper, David Bush, George T. Tyler. 10.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

H. Monroe Strickler, Silas R. Snapp, James F. Clarke, William C. Maloy, William H. D. Harper, Asbury R. Martin, Walter W. Watts, Geo. T. Tyler, John A. Kern, David Bush. 10.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

C. C. Calvert, Richard T. Barton. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

R. T. Barton. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Wesley Hammond, Richard S. Shreve, E. G. Jamison. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

F. M. Mills, J. Newman Hank, George R. Jefferson, Edw. F. Heterick, Robert B. Framp-ton, Jehu Hank, John P. Hyde, John W. Bot-elcr, John W. Bull, Joseph N. Spangler. 10.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Norval Wilson, John L. Gibbons, Henry Hoffman, Elias Welty, Ephraim L. Kregelo, M. G. Balthis, P. S. E. Sixeas. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

D. H. Parrish. 1.

DANIEL H. PARRISH departed this life February, 1871. Brother Parrish was admitted

into the traveling connection March, 1855, and served with acceptance until disabled by disease. He enjoyed the important advantages of Christian nurture, and early in life decided to follow the steps of his father. This decision led him first to give his heart to God, and then to the ministry of our Lord Jesus. His peculiar talents were well suited to his vocation. In it he commanded the attention which intelligence, piety, and warm and generous sympathies usually secure. He was, more than is common, fervent in prayer, and earnest in exhortation; and in none of the duties of his work did he appear to greater advantage than in the labors incident to revivals. A friend writes, "In these his soul took delight, and great success attended his efforts." The latter part of his life was embittered by many and sore trials. His wife died—his own health declined—his resources failed. These all combined to depress his spirits, but at the same time to refine his graces. He became more and more spiritual. The earth ceased to allure, and the stronger influence of heaven attracted thitherward. Fully aware of the near approach of death, he not only felt no fear, but desired his coming. The only care upon his heart was, that proper provision should be made for his motherless children. This care was finally discharged. The last and only reason for clinging to life was that he might, to any people and in any place, preach Christ. But he felt that his work was done. His chamber was a privileged place to those who entered it. Its very atmosphere seemed tremulous with the wings of heavenly ministrants; and so he died—rather, so he entered upon his immortal life. His remains were borne by his brethren from Central Church, in the city of Baltimore, to London Park Cemetery, the place of burial, and there left, till the Lord shall come. We thank God upon every remembrance of him.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Baltimore District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Baltimore:			
Central.....	235	.....	3
St. Paul's.....	368	.....	.....
South Baltimore.....	88	.....	3
Howard Church.....	49	.....	.....
Baltimore Circuit.....	320	.....	2
Hookstown.....	107	.....	.....
Frederick.....	81	.....	1
Linganore.....	124	.....	1
Rockville.....	279	.....	3
Montgomery.....	152	.....	1
Howard Circuit.....	82	.....	1
Beltsville.....	91	.....	.....
Laurel.....	195	.....	1
South River.....	120	.....	.....

Baltimore District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Bladensburg.....	176	.....	.....
Hillsboro.....	634	3	2
	3101	3	18

East Baltimore District.

Trinity.....	272	.....	.....
East Baltimore.....	76	.....	.....
North Baltimore.....	165	.....	.....
Emmanuel.....	131	.....	2
Taylor Circuit.....	198	.....	1
Harford.....	142	.....	1
Talbot.....	227	.....	3
Trappe.....	89	.....	.....
Kent.....	33	.....	.....
Queen Anne's.....	298	.....	1
Severn.....	74	.....	.....
West River.....	187	.....	1
Calvert.....	162	.....	2
Prince George.....	220	.....	1
	2274	.....	12

Washington District.

Washington City.....	301	.....	.....
Alexandria.....	350	1	.....
Alexandria Mission.....	50	.....	.....
Loudon.....	637	4	2
Leesburg.....	229	.....	.....
Farmwell.....	145	4	.....
Fredericksburg.....	202	.....	.....
Fauquier.....	375	2	.....
Fairfax.....	260	1	2
Falls Church.....	351	2	2
Prince William.....	160	.....	.....
Stafford.....	210	2	.....
Falmouth.....	212	.....	.....
Charles.....	152	.....	.....
St. Mary's.....	130	.....	2
	3764	16	8

Winchester District.

Winchester.....	309	.....	3
Winchester Circuit.....	410	.....	3
Frederick Circuit.....	100	.....	1
Front Royal.....	250	8	2
Warrenton.....	270	.....	1
Berryville.....	275	.....	.....
Martinsburg.....	114	.....	1
Berkeley.....	302	.....	.....
Jefferson.....	208	.....	.....
Shepherdstown.....	280	.....	.....
Greensboro.....	257	6	2
Morgan.....	98	.....	.....
Shannondale.....	151	.....	.....
Hagerstown.....	19	.....	.....
Salem and Bethel.....	305	.....	1
	3348	14	14

Rockingham District.

Staunton.....	252	.....	.....
Harrisonburg.....	218	1	.....
Shenandoah Iron Works.....	44	4	1
Mount Sidney.....	158	.....	2
Churchville.....	248	.....	.....
Bridgewater.....	380	.....	3
East Rockingham.....	361	.....	1
Rockingham.....	124	.....	1
New Market.....	164	2	.....
Woodstock.....	291	2	1
Luray.....	265	2	3
	2505	11	12

Roanoke District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Salem.....	325	1	2
Christiansburg.....	137	.....	2
Blacksburg.....	174	.....	2
Fincastle.....	350	.....	.....
Lexington Circuit.....	170	.....	.....
Buchanan.....	197	.....	.....
New Castle.....	94	3	.....
Catawba.....	70	.....	1
Sinking Creek.....	280	.....	2
Lafayette.....	128	2	1
Montgomery.....	215	4	4
	2140	10	14

Lewisburg District.

Lewisburg.....	189	.....	1
Frankford.....	155	.....	1
White Sulphur.....	119	.....	1
Blue Sulphur.....	141	.....	1
Levelton.....	150	.....	1
Greenbank.....	316	1	.....
Centreville.....	254	.....	1
Union.....	106	.....	1
Peterstown.....	214	2	.....
Gap Mills.....	104	.....	1
Warm and Healing Springs.....	70	5	.....
Alleghany.....	123	.....	1
	1941	8	9

Lexington District.

Lexington.....	172	2
Collierstown.....	114	.....	.....
Covington.....	232	4	4
Monterey.....	178	.....	.....
Doe Hill.....	95	.....	1
Crab Bottom.....	150	1	1
Highland.....	95	.....	.....
Jackson's River.....	100	.....	.....
Fairfield.....	204	.....	.....
Augusta.....	164	.....	.....
Hillsboro.....	58	.....	.....
	1552	5	8

Moorefield District.

Moorefield.....	130	1	.....
Petersburg.....	176	1	2
Franklin.....	148	1	.....
South Branch.....	212	.....	.....
Springfield.....	218	.....	.....
Wardensville.....	235	.....	.....
North River.....	183	.....	2
Piedmont.....	111	.....	3
Swanton.....	18	.....	1
Flintstone.....	140	.....	1
	1571	2	9

Recapitulation.

Baltimore District.....	3101	3	18
East Baltimore.....	2274	.....	12
Washington.....	3764	16	8
Winchester.....	3548	14	14
Rockingham.....	2505	11	12
Roanoke.....	2140	10	14
Lewisburg.....	1941	8	9
Lexington.....	1552	5	8
Moorefield.....	1571	2	9
Total this year.....	22,196	69	104
Total last year.....	21,616	133	104
Increase.....	580	.....	.....
Decrease.....		64	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1364.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
924.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
354.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
3260.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
17,962.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3350.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2592 97.

Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$4443 98.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Warrenton, Va.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

John S. Martin, P. E.

Baltimore:

Central, W. E. Munsey, J. N. Hank, Sup.
St. Paul's, W. G. Eggleston, J. W. Bull, Sup.
{ Emmanuel, I. W. Canter, John P. Hall, Sup.
{ Frederick Avenue, J. H. Dulany.
{ South Baltimore, Wm. H. D. Harper.
{ Baltimore, John Poisal, W. K. Boyle.
{ Baltimore Circuit, A. A. Eskridge, S. W. Haddaway.

{ Hookstown, L. R. Jones.

Frederick City, J. C. Hummer.

Linganore, A. Q. Flaherty.

Rockville, D. Ball, B. W. Bond.

Hillsboro, J. Landstreet, J. T. Maxwell.

{ Montgomery, B. F. Ball, one to be supplied.

{ Howard, to be supplied.

{ Beltsville, W. A. McDonald.

{ Laurel, G. W. Lightner, one to be supplied

South River, F. A. Mercer.

Bladensburg and Emory, W. J. Perry.

Marlboro, D. Bush.

Maryland Agricultural College, S. Regester.

Sunday-school Agent, G. G. Brooke.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

Samuel Rogers, P. E.

Trinity, L. D. Huston, S. Kepler, Sup.

East Baltimore, J. A. Kern.

North Baltimore, J. L. Clarke.

Howard Chapel, L. C. Miller.

Taylor's Circuit, J. M. Grandin, J. N. Spangler, Sup.
 Harford, R. Smith.
 Talbot, J. L. Shipley, R. B. Frampton, Sup.
 Trappe Station, W. C. Maloy.
 Kent Circuit, George T. Tyler.
 Queen Ann's, C. G. Linthicum, W. E. Miller.
 Annapolis Mission, William H. Wilson.
 Severn, B. S. Highly.
 West River, P. B. Smith, J. W. Duffy.
 Calvert, A. B. Dolly.
 Prince George, W. W. Watts.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

A. W. Wilson, P. E.

Washington City:
 Mt. Vernon Place, S. S. Roszell, J. W. Boteler, Sup.
 Alexandria and City Mission, R. R. S. Hough.
 Loudon, W. S. Baird, Asbury R. Martin.
 Piedmont Circuit, H. E. Johnson, Hamilton W. Kinzer.
 Warrenton, I. R. Finley.
 { Leesburg, N. Head.
 { Farmwell, L. D. Nixon.
 Hamilton, J. C. Dice.
 Fauquier, E. H. Henry.
 { Fairfax, W. G. Hammond.
 { Falls Church Circuit, L. H. Crenshaw.
 Prince William, G. Mauzey.
 { Stafford Mission, A. W. Robey.
 { Falmouth, L. H. Baldwin.
 Fredericksburg, J. S. Gardner.
 Charles, Lewis G. Martin.
 St. Mary's Mission, W. R. Stringer.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

W. H. Wheelwright, P. E.

Winchester Station, J. E. Armstrong.
 Winchester Circuit, G. Stevenson, one to be supplied.
 Frederick Circuit, L. Butt, E. F. Heterick, Sup.
 Front Royal, J. H. March.
 Berryville, F. H. Richey, Jno. P. Hyde, Sup.
 Martinsburg, T. B. Sargent.
 Berkeley, A. A. P. Neale, J. F. Follin.
 Jefferson, J. W. Ewan, J. T. Williams.
 Shepherdstown, J. B. Fitzpatrick, J. W. Tongue.
 Gainsboro, H. A. Gaver.
 Morgan, S. Smith.
 Shannondale Mission, T. W. Brown.
 Wardensville, W. Hedges, W. C. McNeer.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

J. H. Waugh, P. E.

Staunton, H. H. Kennedy.
 Harrisonburg, W. A. Wade.
 Shenandoah Iron Works, A. P. Boude.
 Mount Sidney, J. W. Wolff.
 Churchville, J. J. Eugle, G. R. Jefferson, Sup.
 Bridgewater, J. M. Follansbee.
 East Rockingham, J. F. Liggett.
 Rockingham Circuit, S. S. Ryder.

Rockingham Mission, H. D. Bishop.
 New Market, W. O. Ross.
 Woodstock, David Shoaff.
 Luray, J. S. Hutchinson.
 Wesleyan Female Institute, W. A. Harris, President.

ROANOKE DISTRICT.

E. F. Busey, P. E.

Salem Station, J. P. Etchison.
 Salem Circuit, W. H. Mason.
 Christiansburg, to be supplied.
 Blacksburg, Williamson Harris.
 Fincastle, C. C. Wertenbaker, one to be supplied (by J. D. Nally).
 Lexington Circuit, J. H. Temple.
 Buchanan, R. H. Wilson.
 New Castle Mission, to be supplied.
 Catawba, to be supplied.
 Sinking Creek, J. N. Gray.
 Lafayette, H. M. Strickler.
 Montgomery, to be supplied.
 Montgomery Female College, S. K. Cox, Pres't.
 Preston and Olin Institute, P. H. Whisner, Pres't.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

J. L. Gilbert, P. E.

Lewisburg, E. R. Smith.
 Frankford, W. T. Quinn, C. E. Beauchamp.
 White Sulphur, J. F. Clarke.
 Levelton, C. A. Joyce, Jas. R. Smith.
 Greenbank, S. F. Butt, one to be supplied.
 Centreville, S. B. Dolly.
 Union, F. Furr, Jehu Hank, Sup.
 Peterstown, J. Crickenberger, one to be supplied.
 Gap Mills Mission, L. H. Greybill.
 Sweet Spring Mission, to be supplied.
 Alleghany Mission, to be supplied.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

W. G. Coe, P. E.

Lexington, W. G. Cross.
 Colliertown, S. Townsend.
 Covington, A. Weller.
 Monterey, T. Briley.
 Doe Hill, to be supplied.
 Crab Bottom, John W. Canter.
 Highland, J. S. Porter.
 Jackson River, A. Boon.
 Fairfield, M. A. Taylor.
 Augusta, J. R. Vanhorn.
 Warm Springs Mission, S. R. Snapp.
 Millboro, F. H. Shipley.
 Upper Botetourt, C. L. Dameron.
 Oakland High School, W. R. McNeer, Principal.

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.

D. Thomas, P. E.

Moorefield, T. E. Carson.
 Petersburg, J. H. Wolff.
 Franklin Mission, T. Hildebrand.
 South Branch, F. C. Tebbs.
 Springfield, J. Beatty, L. H. Davis.

North River Mission, S. V. Hoyle.
 Piedmont Station, G. H. Zimmerman.
 Frostburg, L. W. Haslup.
 Cumberland City, J. Higgins.
 Flint Stone, C. L. Torreyson.
 Rainsburg, R. Ross.
 Hagerstown, to be supplied.

G. C. M. Kramer and G. G. Smith, transferred to the North Georgia Conference.

Jos. J. Edwards, L. S. Reed, and Jos. E. Wasson, transferred to the Virginia Conference.

L. B. Madison, transferred to the Western Virginia Conference.

2.—VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PORTSMOUTH, VA., *November 15-23, 1871.*

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; PAUL WHITEHEAD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William E. Mitchell, Werter H. Gregory, Edward Hebard, James F. Twitty, John Hannon, James E. Gates. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Daniel G. Butts, Joshua S. Hunter, James Thomas Lumpkin. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Richard Ferguson, James W. Bledsoe, James A. Hughes, William P. Jordan, William E. Payne, John Q. Rhodes, Walter C. Taylor, George M. Wright, Edward M. Jordan. 9.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Joseph S. R. Clarke. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Joseph J. Edwards, J. E. Wasson, from Baltimore Conference; William T. White, W. W. Walker, Starke Jett, from Methodist Protestant Church. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

James A. Hughes, William P. Jordan, Wm. E. Payne, John Q. Rhodes, Walter C. Taylor, George M. Wright, Joshua S. Hunter, Edward M. Jordan. 8.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

James A. Hughes, Wm. P. Jordan, William E. Payne, John Q. Rhodes, Walter C. Taylor, Edward M. Jordan, Geo. M. Wright, Joshua S. Hunter. 8.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

William G. Clarke, Thomas E. Ayres, James E. Strawhand. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Wm. G. Clarke, James E. Strawhand. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

David F. Hodges, Charles E. Hobday, Benj. F. Tennille, Travis J. Taylor, Thomas P. Wise, John W. Hilldrup, Richard Ferguson, James W. Bledsoe. 8.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

David F. Hodges, Charles E. Hobday, Benj. F. Tennille, Travis J. Taylor, Thomas P. Wise, John W. Hilldrup, Richard Ferguson, James W. Bledsoe. 8.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

John V. Crute. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

John V. Crute. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John F. Paulton. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

James McAden, James A. Riddick, Robert I. Carson, William J. Norfleet, John J. Lafferty, William H. Camper, Thomas H. Early, James L. Spencer, John B. Laurens, Milton L. Bishop. 10.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joseph Carson, Matthew M. Dance, Benj. Devany, John C. Garlick, Robert A. Gregory, William A. Robinson, Alexander Stewart, Jacob Shough, Benj. M. Williams, Samuel T. Moorman, Benj. T. Ames. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Thomas C. Jennings, Humphrey Billups. 2.

THOMAS C. JENNINGS was born in the town of Hampton, Va., Oct. 23, 1823. His father,

William K. Jennings, Esq., was an honored merchant of that place, and noted for his intelligence and upright Christian character. At the age of 15 years, Thomas accompanied an older brother to Randolph Macon College, and while a student there was converted. Returning to his home, he united with the Methodist Protestant Church, the Church of his father, and in which he had been taught the truths of the gospel, and of which he continued an honored and useful member up to the time he entered the itinerancy. His native modesty and Christian humility, combining with a sense of the awful responsibility of the ministerial office, concealed his thoughts and feelings in this behalf within the secrecy of his own bosom; but, yielding to the counsels of the pastor, he opened his mind and heart, and finally consenting to devote himself to this calling, he received a license to preach from the Quarterly Conference, and exercised his gifts as occasion offered till the fall of 1845, when he was admitted to the traveling connection of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and appointed junior preacher on the Smithfield Circuit; but before the year ended, the pulpit of the Lynchburg Station becoming vacant, he was appointed to fill the unexpired term there, and at the end of the year was ordained deacon and appointed to the Norfolk Station. What seldom occurs in the history of preachers was apparent in this brother—he entered upon his work full-grown; and it is doubtful if, during the twenty-six years of his ministry, there was any appreciable improvement in either the matter or the manner of his sermons. His early discourses gained him a reputation wherever he preached, and the announcement of his name as the preacher of the day was enough to insure a full congregation. His talents were of no ordinary character, and fitted him to grace any pulpit. His style was chaste, easy, flowing, and often pathetic and beautiful; the effect winning, melting, subduing. Everywhere the people wondered at the gracious words which he uttered, and hung with delight upon the message of the cross from his lips. About this time, being fond of the Muses, he frequented their mount, and coming thence redolent with the aroma of their groves, he gave numerous effusions to print which bore unmistakable evidences of poetic genius. But the sterner realities, with coming years of toil and care, called him from the cultivation of song to battle with the graver duties of matured manhood, and amid its severer conflicts imagination failed to plume its wings, and his visits to Parnassus were less frequent and inspiring. He continued in the active duties of the itinerant ministry until he thought himself compelled to locate and provide for a growing family. Still, however, he retained his membership in the Conference, and, as opportunity afforded, filled the position and discharged the duties of the pastorate as best he could under the circumstances. All the while his heart yearned for entire consecration to the work, but his Conference could

not give him employment that promised a support for his family. Amid all the toil and dust of secular engagements he kept his ministerial robes unsoiled by censure or suspicion. Unlike some, he had not those sharply defined edges of positive character which too often cut and wound when friend is brought into severer contact with friend. The angularities of his nature, if he had them, were so rounded by the amiability of his disposition that he seldom offended, and hence no man complained against him. In truth, he preferred to suffer wrong rather than to vindicate his rights. Hence the jostling throng on life's crowded way elbowed him as it pleased and heard no complaining word. He was amiable, if possible, to a fault—too kind to others to do justice to himself. A meekly patient pilgrim, not cast in the mold of this world's spirit, he journeyed to the better land and entered the river in full view of the other shore. At the meeting of his Conference in Norfolk, Va., 1870, when the question of union between his own Conference and the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, came up for final action, he voted in the affirmative; and at once, with others of his brethren, offered himself to do the work of an effective itinerant, and was rejoiced at beholding an open door through which he might again enter upon a course of usefulness to others and happiness to himself. From the Conference in Lynchburg, last year, he was appointed to the charge of Hampton Circuit. Here, in the town of his birth, his youth, and manhood, where he was licensed to preach, and where he began his ministry, was he destined to close his labors. He repaired to his appointed post, welcomed by all, both in and out of the Church; but not one of that Quarterly Conference remained which twenty-five years before had granted him a license to preach. With his harness on, and at his work, he was called from labor and entered into rest Jan. 30, 1871. It seemed a strange providence that so soon called him hence after his consecration to the pastoral office; but God saw it well. His work was done. In many minds and hearts are treasured memories of this gentle servant of God, and often his name is spoken with a sad satisfaction by those who knew and loved him—loved him because they knew him. His name, his character, in many a household dwells in thought an ideal form ever welcome to the visions of the mind. Beyond many he had power over the pure affections of childhood, and the little ones recognized in him a loving friend, and fearlessly sought his company and indulged his caresses. Childlike himself, in pure affection and simple manner, no marvel that innocence intuitively sought his embrace. Thomas C. Jennings had his record on high, and while loved ones in the flesh mourn their loss, his eternal gain has re-associated him with loved ones on high, who doubtless hailed him a welcome partaker of their celestial joys.

HUMPHREY BILLUPS was born of pious par-

ents in the county of Mathews, Va., Sept. 10, 1786. His early years were spent when but few educational advantages were possessed, and among a people where only the rudiments of a common English education could be obtained; but, blessed with a good mind and much energy of purpose, he went forward to life's battle determined to win. At the age of nineteen, the Spirit of God arrested him with the word of divine truth, preached by the Rev. John C. Ballew, and he made a public profession of religion, and connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church. His earnest Christian life gave promise of good, and his brethren took note of him as a proper person for the work of the ministry; and his own convictions pointing in the same direction, he applied for a license to preach, which the Quarterly Conference of Gloucester Circuit granted Sept. 3, 1812. With an open door into an extensive field, Brother Billups entered with his Bible and Hymn-book, gathering information as he might from the few Methodist publications then in circulation, and, fired with a warm heart and burning zeal, he told redemption's story. At this period of his history, Methodism was strong with youthful vigor, and such a laborer could do effective service for the Church. The masses around him heard the truth as he proclaimed it; and, hearing, believed and were saved. Thus he labored in the local ranks as a licentiate, till in due time he was graduated to the orders of deacon and elder, all the while increasing in knowledge and fitness for his work, till the year 1837, when he was admitted into the traveling connection of the Virginia Conference. He was now fifty-one years of age, and had a fund of experience accumulated through a ministerial exercise of twenty-five years. After entering the itinerancy, he traveled for some years on different circuits in Virginia and North Carolina, during which the Lord blessed his labors with signal success, hundreds of converts being reported in his charges. It would be gratifying here to enlarge, if possessed of the material facts necessary to a minute specification, but we are shut up to this general summary of his labors. It is known that the deceased was a good man and a successful worker in the vineyard of the Master. He did not flash and flare in the pulpit, nor seek to dress his sermons in tinsel; his style was not ornate, but the truth as he preached it was effective. Age and infirmity finally compelled him to desist from the active work of the Conference, and to accept a superannuated relation, which he held for several years prior to his death. Brother Billups was a stranger to many members of the Conference, he had outlived many of the associates of his active ministry, and comparatively few remembered the days of his strength. His last years were marked with ardent devotion to the Church, preaching as often as seemed practicable. His adherence to Methodist doctrine and polity was firm; he remembered the olden time, and often referred to the past. His conversations frequently

turned upon the approach of death, and his expressions were those of readiness for the change from earth to heaven. The aged pilgrim stood on the margin of the river, and was not startled when the dull, hoarse murmuring of the stream broke on his ear, but stepped down quietly into its waters, and passed over to the immortal shore. Thus died this man of God, on the 20th day of May, 1871, in the eighty-sixth year of his age.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Richmond District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond:			
Trinity.....	350	.....	1
Centenary.....	280	.....	2
Broad Street.....	345	1	.....
Clay Street.....	262	.....	.....
Union.....	365	.....	2
Sidney and Oregon.....	205	.....	1
Rocketts.....	72	.....	1
Manchester.....	240	.....	2
Charles City.....	450	2	1
New Kent.....	200	1	2
Providence.....	126	.....	.....
King William.....	290	4	2
Matthews.....	962	2	1
Gloucester.....	708	1	.....
Williamsburg.....	55	.....	.....
	4910	11	15

Charlottesville District.

Charlottesville.....	211	.....	1
Albemarle.....	486	1	1
Scottsville.....	391	8	1
Fluvanna.....	334	100	2
Gordonsville and Orange C. H.....	98	.....	1
Orange.....	175	.....	1
Louisa.....	540	1	2
Batesville.....	251	21	.....
Madison.....	366	5	2
Greene.....	314	5	.....
Goochland.....	252	.....	.....
Beaver Dam.....	277	1	1
Blue Ridge Mission.....	157	.....	.....
Piedmont Mission.....	240	.....	.....
	4092	142	12

Lynchburg District.

Lynchburg:			
Centenary.....	340	.....	.....
Court Street.....	348	.....	2
Amherst.....	430	1	2
West Amherst.....	197	.....	2
Nelson.....	201	.....	.....
Bedford.....	600	.....	4
Big Island.....	160	.....	.....
South Bedford.....	456	3	.....
Bedford Springs.....	246	2	.....
Liberty.....	72	.....	.....
Appomattox.....	429	1	1
Campbell.....	512	.....	1
Buckingham.....	610	2	2
Prospect.....	270	1	1
Leesville Mission.....	102	.....	.....
	4973	10	15

Danville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Danville.....	175	.....	1
Charlotte.....	313	.....	.....
West Charlotte.....	97	.....	1
South of Dan.....	305	.....	2
Ringgold and Bannister.....	336	10	1
Pittsylvania.....	223	1	2
South Staunton.....	369	7	3
Franklin.....	431	28	1
Henry.....	254	38	.....
Patrick.....	155	18	1
Dan River Mission.....	143	16	3
Halifax.....	352	.....	.....
	3153	118	15

Norfolk District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Norfolk Circuit.....	224	20	.....
East Norfolk Circuit.....	433	.....	2
Princess Anne.....	810	.....	6
Eastville.....	300	.....	.....
Pungoteague.....	600	1	5
Atlantic.....	474	.....	1
Salisbury.....	45	.....	.....
Berlin.....	78	.....	3
Cambridge.....	77	.....	1
Dorchester.....	220	.....	1
Hampton.....	160	.....	.....
York.....	489	1	2
Wicomico.....	138	.....	.....
	5618	22	30

Farmville District.

Farmville.....	130	61	1
Mount Pleasant.....	95	.....	.....
Burkeville.....	130	1	.....
Lunenburg.....	484	1	.....
Boydton.....	336	5	3
Mecklenburg.....	712	.....	.....
Clarkesville.....	41	1	.....
Brunswick.....	750	15	4
Nottoway.....	390	5	1
Amelia.....	358	9	4
Powhatan.....	150	.....	1
Cumberland.....	338	10	1
South Brunswick.....	400	1	1
Wesleyan and Mineral Spring.....	120	1	.....
	4434	110	16

Rappahannock District.

Rappahannock.....	264	36
Culpeper.....	396	31	1
Spottsylvania.....	206	2	1
Caroline.....	442	.....	3
King George.....	373	1	.....
Westmoreland.....	443	.....	2
Heathsville.....	348	.....	4
Montross.....	92	4	.....
Lancaster.....	437	1	3
Middlesex.....	456	.....	.....
King and Queen.....	585	2	.....
Hanover.....	475	2	4
	4517	79	18

Petersburg District.

Petersburg:			
Washington Street.....	399	.....	1
Market Street.....	245	.....	2
Wesley Chapel.....	55	.....	1
High Street.....	481	.....	3
Etricks.....	120	.....	1
Chesterfield.....	308	7	3
Coalfield and Clover Hill.....	375	.....	1
West Dinwiddie.....	364	.....	.....
Dinwiddie.....	260	.....	.....
Sussex.....	432	.....	5
Hicksford.....	113	.....	.....
Prince George.....	264	.....	.....
Surry.....	300	.....	1
Smithfield.....	200	1	2
Smithfield Circuit.....	378	.....	.....
	4294	8	20

Murfreesboro District.

Murfreesboro.....	120	7	.....
Northampton.....	500	4	2
Meherrin.....	336	8	2
Windsor.....	209	.....	.....
Harrellsville.....	180	.....	2
Edenton.....	63	.....	.....
Hertford.....	880	2	2
Pasquotank.....	620	.....	5
Elizabeth City.....	190	.....	1
Indian Ridge.....	619	.....	2
Suffolk.....	192	.....	1
Gates.....	846	.....	2
Southampton.....	630	2	1
Dare Mission.....	379	2	1
	5764	25	21

Norfolk District.

Norfolk:			
Cumberland Street.....	502	.....	3
Granby Street.....	300	.....	1
Berkeley, Chestnut Street.....	35	.....	.....
Portsmouth:			
Dinwiddie Street.....	408	.....	1
Second Street.....	117	.....	2
Central.....	208	.....	2

Recapitulation.

Richmond District.....	4910	11	15
Charlottesville.....	4092	142	12
Lynchburg.....	4973	10	15
Danville.....	3153	118	15
Farmville.....	4434	110	16
Petersburg.....	4294	8	20
Murfreesboro.....	5764	25	21
Norfolk.....	5618	22	30
Rappahannock.....	4517	79	18
Total this year.....	41,755	525	162
Total last year.....	39,425	937	150
Increase.....	2,330	.....	12
Decrease.....		412	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1260.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
2345.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
559.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
5689.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
29,543.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$6600.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$4,852 79.

Applied as follows:

To superannuated preachers,	\$1,243 55
To widows and orphans,	3,505 40
Balance in hands Board Finance,	269 29

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$4395 66.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Petersburg, Virginia.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RICHMOND DISTRICT.

Leroy M. Lee, P. E.

Richmond:

{ Trinity, James P. Garland.
 { Rocketts, to be supplied (by R. H. Mullew).
 { Centenary, John C. Granbery.
 { Sidney, George C. Vanderslice.
 Broad Street, John E. Edwards.
 Clay Street, Edward M. Peterson.
 Union, Benjamin F. Woodward.
 Oregon, George W. Nolley.
 Manchester, William H. Christian.
 Henrico and Charles City, Wm. G. Williams.
 New Kent, James H. Crown.
 Providence, Thomas P. Wise.
 King William, George M. Wright.
 Matthews, Alfred Wiles.
 Gloucester, James C. Martin.
 Williamsburg, Alexander M. Hall.
 Superintendent German Missions, Edward N. S. Blogg.
 Chaplain in U. S. Navy, William R. Cobb.

CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

Jacob Manning, P. E.

Charlottesville, Joseph E. Martin.
 Albemarle, James M. Anderson, John J. Laferty, Sup.
 Scottsville, John Bayley.
 Fluvanna, Hartwell H. Gary.
 Buck Island, to be supplied (by John Hall).
 Gordonsville and Orange C. H., J. L. Fisher.
 Orange, Ed. M. Jordan, Wm. H. Camper, Sup.
 Louisa, James O. Moss.
 Batesville, Wilbur F. Robbins.
 { Madison, Robert W. Watts.
 { Piedmont Mission, to be supplied (by G. W. Baily).
 Greene, John W. Howard.
 Goochland, Benjamin C. Spiller.
 Beaver Dam, William E. Payne.
 Cobham, Henry M. Linney.

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

Henry B. Cowles, P. E.

Lynchburg:

{ Centenary, William E. Edwards.
 { Madison Mission, to be supplied (by S. H. Mullen).
 Court Street, Robert N. Sledd.
 Amherst, Joseph B. Merritt.

{ West Amherst, Walter C. Taylor, Thos. H. Early, Sup.
 { Big Island Miss., to be supplied (by Elisha DeWitt).

Nelson, James E. Gates.

Bedford, John M. Saunders.

South Bedford, John W. F. Jones.

Bedford Springs, Joshua S. Hunter, Milton L. Bishop, Sup.

Liberty, Robert A. Compton.

Appomattox, Layton J. Hansberger.

Campbell, John W. Hilldrup.

{ Buckingham, Robert B. Beadles.

{ West Buckingham Mission, to be supplied (by J. A. Crowder).

Prospect, James W. Bledsoe.

Leesville Miss., to be supplied (by R. A. Lee).

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

James Jamieson, P. E.

Danville, Joseph A. Proctor.

Charlotte, John D. Southall.

West Charlotte, James A. Hughes.

South of Dan, Wesley C. Vaden.

Ringgold, to be supplied.

Bannister, John Q. Rhodes.

Pittsylvania, John W. Tucker.

Franklin, David F. Hodges, one to be supplied.

Henry, Henry C. Bowles.

Patrick, James T. Lumpkin.

Dan River Mission, to be supplied (by W. S. Creasy).

Halifax, Jeremiah McMullan.

FARMVILLE DISTRICT.

Robert Michaels, P. E.

Farmville, Francis M. Edwards.

Mt. Pleasant and Mineral Spring, Joseph S. R. Clarke.

Wesleyan Mission, George H. Ray.

Burkeville, Thomas M. Beckham.

Lunenburg, James C. Watson.

Boydton, David M. Wallace.

Mecklenburg, Blassingame H. Johnson, James McAden, Sup.

Clarksville Mission, Herbert T. Bacon.

Brunswick, James W. Blincoe.

Nottoway, William G. Lumpkin, James L. Spencer, Sup.

Amelia, Joseph E. Potts.

Powhatan, James F. Twitty.

Cumberland, William W. Spain.

South Brunswick, William T. White.

PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

Davis P. Wills, P. E.

Petersburg:

Washington Street, Charles H. Hall, John B. Laurens, Sup.

Wesley Chapel and Blandford, Jacob H. Proctor, Charles V. Bingley, Sup.

Market Street, George W. Langhorne, Thos. S. Campbell, Sup.

High Street and Battersea, Geo. E. Booker.

Ettricks, Thomas Diggs.
 Chesterfield, Fielding A. Davis.
 Coalfield and Clover Hill, William P. Jordan.
 Dinwiddie, Travis J. Taylor.
 West Dinwiddie, George N. Guy.
 Sussex, Edward P. Wilson, J. A. Riddick, Sup.
 Hicksford, James E. McSparran.
 Prince George, Richard Ferguson.
 Surry, John McClellan.

MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

Lemuel S. Reed, P. E.

Murfreesboro, Peter F. August.
 Northampton, Joseph Lear.
 Meherrin, Benjamin F. Tennille.
 Windsor, J. W. Compton, R. I. Carson, Sup.
 Harrellsville, Joseph H. Riddick.
 Edenton, Beverly W. Daugherty.
 Hertford, Major S. Colonna.
 Pasquotank, Thomas L. Williams.
 Elizabeth City, Samuel S. Lambeth.
 Suffolk, William G. Starr.
 Gates, William P. Wright.
 Southampton, John W. White.
 Chuckatuck, John P. Woodward.
 Wesleyan Female College, Paul Whitehead,
 President; William B. Rowzie, Agent.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Peter A. Peterson, P. E.

Norfolk:

{ Cumberland Street, John D. Blackwell.
 { Berkeley, Chestnut Street, Wm. McGee.
 Granby Street, Wm. W. Duncan, Wm. J.
 Norfleet, Sup.

Portsmouth:

Dinwiddie Street, Wm. E. Judkins.
 { Central, Adam C. Bledsoe.
 { Second Street, William E. Allen.
 Norfolk Circuit, Robert A. Armistead.
 East Norfolk Circuit, Lloyd Moore.
 South Norfolk Circuit, Joseph J. Edwards,
 Edward Hebard.
 Indian Ridge, James D. Lumsden.
 Dare Mission, to be supplied.
 Princess Anne, Joshua L. Garrett.
 York, Robert N. Crooks.

Hampton, Henry C. Cheatham.
 Smithfield, Hezekiah P. Mitchell.
 Isle of Wight, James W. Connelly.

RANDOLPH MACON DISTRICT.

Joseph H. Davis, P. E.

{ Rappahannock, James F. Brannin.
 { Rappahannock Mission, James F. Finnell.
 Culpeper, John Hannon.
 Culpeper Circuit, John N. Jones.
 Spottsylvania, Werter H. Gregory.
 Caroline, Charles E. Hobday.
 King George, William F. Bain.
 Westmoreland, Esmond A. Gibbs, William W.
 Walker.
 Heathsville, William A. Crocker, Starke Jett.
 Montross, Daniel G. Butts.
 Lancaster, Thomas J. Bayton.
 Middlesex, Thomas H. Boggs.
 { King and Queen, Josiah D. Hank.
 { Logan Mission, to be supplied.
 Hanover, James R. Waggoner.
 Randolph Macon College, James A. Duncan,
 President; Alexander G. Brown, Financial
 Secretary.
 Sunday-school Agent, Leonidas Rosser.
 Agents Virginia Bible Society, John G. Rowe,
 Edgar H. Pritchett.
 Editor of Richmond *Christian Advocate*, Wil-
 liam W. Bennett.

EASTERN SHORE DISTRICT.

John B. Dey, P. E.

Eastville, Charles E. Watts.
 Pungoteague, Oscar Littleton.
 Atlantic, James C. Reed.
 Wicomico, to be supplied (by L. K. LeCato).
 Salisbury, Thomas A. Ware.
 Berlin, William E. Mitchell.
 Cambridge, to be supplied.
 Dorchester, Joseph H. Amiss.

Wm. H. Hopkins transferred to St. Louis
 Conference.

W. E. Wasson transferred to Baltimore
 Conference.

3.—WESTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CHARLESTON, WEST VA., *September 20-25, 1871.*BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; WM. GAINES MILLER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. R. E. Walden, A. P. Sturm. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thos. Cooper, A. Gwin, G. C. Kelly, W. C. Leech, C. Dean, L. H. Mead, R. C. Wiseman, J. S. Pullin. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Louis B. Madison (from Baltimore Conference), G. C. Kelly (on trial, from Kentucky Conference). 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Jno. Martin, G. W. Young. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Wm. Bays, J. S. Lavender, Jas. H. Moore. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Wm. Bays, J. S. Lavender, R. Workman. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Frank B. Carroll, James W. Lambert. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Frank B. Carroll, James W. Lambert. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

James Lanham, Asbury P. Sturm. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

James Lanham, Asbury P. Sturm. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Samuel H. Mullan. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

B. Spurlock, S. P. Cummings, J. K. Hedges, S. F. Burgess. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Jos. A. West, B. G. Hull, L. G. Chevrou. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Thomas M. Williams. 1.

(No memoir.)

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Charleston District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charleston Circuit	335	1	3
Charleston and Malden Circuit	134	.....	3
Coalsmouth Circuit	80	.....	.....
Brownstown and Cedar Grove	99	.....	1
Fayette Circuit	238	3	3
Fayetteville and Raleigh	204	2	.....
Summerville Circuit	480	.....	1
Hurricane Circuit	220	.....	.....
Elk Mission	106	.....	2
Newport and Logan	175	.....	.....
Wyoming	275	.....	.....
	2346	6	13

Parkersburg District.

Parkersburg Station	226	.....	1
Parkersburg Circuit	223	1	.....
Little Kanawha Circuit	239	2	3
Ravenswood Circuit	240	.....	3
Spencer Circuit	473	.....	3
Ripley Circuit	300	.....	2
Point Pleasant Circuit	231	.....	2
	1932	3	14

Guyandotte District.

Cabell Circuit	130	.....	2
Guyandotte & Barboursville Circuit	388	2	2
Wayne Circuit	310	6	3
Big Sandy Circuit	260	1	3
Blayne Circuit	100	.....	.....
Paintsville Circuit	352	.....	6
Catlettsburg Station	78	.....	3
Ashland Station	181	.....	1
Greenup Circuit	195	.....	3
Greenupsburg and Liberty Circuit	93	2	3
Louisa Station	60	.....	.....
	2147	11	26

Border District.

Grayson Circuit	240	1	3
Elliot Circuit	224	.....	4
Kenney Mission	41	.....	.....
Manchester Circuit	67	.....	.....
Lfk Run and Quincy	164	.....	1
Jackson Circuit	73	.....	1
	809	1	9

Mannington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greene Circuit.....	230	.....	.....
Monongalia Circuit.....	126	1	.....
Marion Circuit.....	660	.....	3
Philippi and Buchanan Circuit.....	215	.....	5
Saint George Circuit.....	250	.....	2
Beverley Circuit.....	144	.....	.....
Middlebourne and Martinsville.....	150	.....	2
	1775	1	12

Clarksburg District.

Clarksburg Station.....	42	.....	1
West Milford Circuit.....	75	.....	.....
Jacksonville Circuit.....	270	.....	1
Braxton Circuit.....	250	4	3
Webster Circuit.....	235	.....	2
Glenville Circuit.....	412	.....	4
Calhoun Mission.....	167	.....	2
	1451	4	13

Recapitulation.

Charleston District.....	2346	6	13
Parkersburg ".....	1932	3	14
Guyandotte ".....	2147	11	26
Border ".....	809	1	9
Mannington ".....	1775	1	12
Clarksburg ".....	1451	4	13
Total this year.....	10,460	26	87
Total last year.....	10,860	22	85
Increase.....		4	2
Decrease.....	400		

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
277.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
589.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
144.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1012.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
5498.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$500.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$500 00

Applied as follows:

Mrs. Mary Field and children,	\$110 00
Mrs. Hargiss,	170 00
Mrs. Rankin,	75 00
Mrs. L. Warner,	20 00
Mrs. T. M. Williams,	35 00
Mrs. Phillips,	40 00
Rev. Jos. A. West, Sup.	50 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$661 05.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Parkersburg, Wood county, West Virginia.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

W. Shearer, P. E.

Charleston and Malden, J. T. Johnson.
Charleston Circuit, J. E. Williamson.
Coalsmouth, W. F. Cloughton.
Hurricane Bridge, R. Bias.
Brownstown and Cedar Grove, L. B. Madison.
Newport, J. S. Jenkins.
Wyoming, to be supplied.
Fayetteville and Raleigh, R. C. Wiseman.
Fayette Circuit, A. Given.
Summersville, to be supplied (by H. C. Thompson).
Elk Mission, W. C. Leech.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

S. K. Vaught, P. E.

Parkersburg, F. B. Carroll.
Parkersburg Circuit, C. F. Crooks.
Little Kanawha, W. Downtain.
Ravenswood, J. M. Lauck.
Spencer, W. Briscoe.
Ripley, L. H. Mead.
Point Pleasant, S. T. Mallory.

GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.

R. Fox, P. E.

Cabell Circuit, to be supplied.
Guyandotte and Barboursville, J. C. Crooks.
Wayne, to be supplied (by C. E. Harbor, B. Spurlock, Sup.).
Big Sandy, Jno. Martin, S. F. Burgess, Sup.
Blain, to be supplied.
Paintsville, R. A. Cloughton.
Catlettsburg, to be supplied.
Ashland, to be supplied.
Greenup and Greenupsburg, H. Moore.
Louisa, W. S. May.

GRAYSON DISTRICT.

J. C. Tinsley, P. E.

Elliott, to be supplied (by S. Crawford).
Kenney Mission, to be supplied (by N. T. Burchett).
Manchester, to be supplied (by S. P. Cummings, Sup.).
Liberty and Quincy, H. S. Williams.
Lick Run, to be supplied.
Morgan Mission, to be supplied (by James Fraley).
Jackson, to be supplied (by S. Boren).

CLARKSBURG AND MANNINGTON DISTRICT.

T. S. Wade, P. E.

Marion, J. H. Burns.
Green and Monongalia, A. P. Sturm, T. Cooper.

Philippi and Buchanan, W. R. Chambers.
St. George, J. W. Lambert.
Randolph Mission, W. Kennedy.
Middlebourne and Martinsville, E. Kendall.
Clarksburg and West Milford, W. G. Miller.
Jacksonville, R. E. Walden.

Braxton, G. W. Young, J. K. Hedges, Sup.
Webster Mission, S. Black.
Glennville, J. S. Pullin.

G. C. Kelly, transferred to Kentucky Conference.

4.—HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MORRISTOWN, TENN., *October 18-23, 1871.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; R. N. PRICE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. F. W. D. Mays, Albert P. Stair, David W. Carter, John P. Dickey, John C. Runyan, Wm. D. Montcastle, Wm. R. Barnett, John H. Parrott, Archibald T. Brooks, Return J. Only. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

George A. Frazier, Robert E. Smith, Chas. B. Fugat, Wm. C. Carden, Wm. B. McElvy, J. M. Keith, G. W. Simpson, E. H. Boyle, Wiley J. Phillips, P. J. Lockhart. 10.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

James K. Wolf. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Thomas R. Handy, Joseph L. McGhee, Timothy P. Darr, Geo. D. French, Edw. W. Marsh, James K. P. Ball, Nathaniel W. Vaughan. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Riley A. Giddens, Casper E. Wiggins. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

H. P. Waugh, B. O. Davis. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

G. W. K. Greene, W. W. Pyott, J. S. W. Neal, S. V. Bates, G. T. Gray, D. R. Smith, L. L. H. Carlock. 7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

George A. Frazier, Thos. R. Handy, Joseph L. McGhee, Timothy P. Darr, Geo. D. French, Edward W. Marsh. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas R. Handy, Joseph L. McGhee, T. P. Darr, Geo. D. French, Edw. W. Marsh. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

W. B. Gale, H. D. Stephens, Wm. James Drinnon, Wm. C. H. McGuffey, Return J. Only. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Return J. Only. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Daniel H. Carr, Robert H. Parker, Milton L. Clendenen, Tyre T. Salyer, W. W. Bays. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Daniel H. Carr, Robert H. Parker, Milton L. Clendenen, Tyre T. Salyer, W. W. Bays. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

George A. Reynolds, John Pogue, James Torbett, Lewis Whittaker. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

John Pogue, Joshua S. Brooks. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

S. I. Harrison, W. H. Weaver, D. H. Atkins, H. W. Bays, A. Doniphan, K. C. Atkins. 6.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

R. W. Pickens, John Reynolds, E. Vertegans, W. H. Kelley, W. P. Queen, E. F. Lyons, R. M. Hickey, S. Phillips, J. D. Baldwin. 9.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

W. B. Winton, T. K. Munsey, L. W. Crouch, Jacob Brillhart, D. B. Carter, Timothy Sullens, Joseph Haskew, S. B. Harwell. 8.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and passed, except J. W. Belt, whose case was referred to his Presiding Elder.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Wytheville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wytheville Station.....	160	.....	2
Wytheville Circuit.....	925	.....	9
Newbern Circuit.....	405	1	2
Hillsville Circuit.....	415	21	7

Wytheville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jacksonville Circuit	145	.....	4
Grayson Circuit.....	964	.....	6
Jefferson Circuit.....	717	.....	8
Marion Circuit.....	650	8	5
	4381	30	43

Jeffersonville District.

Jeffersonville Station.....	204	.....	.....
Liberty Hill Circuit.....	431	.....	1
Buchanan Mission.....	226	.....	2
East Tazewell Circuit.....	501	10	6
McDowell Mission.....	124	.....	1
Pearisburg Circuit.....	501	.....	4
Seddensville Circuit.....	487	.....	7
Princeton Circuit.....	391	.....	3
Flat Top Mission.....	191	.....	1
	3056	10	25

Abingdon District.

Abingdon Station.....	92	.....	.....
Abingdon Circuit.....	750	.....	5
Bristol Station.....	218	9	.....
Bristol Circuit.....	320	.....	3
Saltville Circuit.....	475	.....	.....
Lebanon Circuit.....	730	.....	2
Dickensville Circuit.....	520	.....	3
Gladeville Mission.....	278	.....	5
	3383	9	18

Jonesboro District.

Jonesboro and Greenville Station....	142	.....	1
Jonesboro Circuit.....	297	.....	3
Rheatown Circuit.....	290	.....	3
Greene Circuit.....	206	.....	1
Blountville Circuit.....	801	.....	5
Fall Branch Circuit.....	138	.....	3
St. Clair Circuit.....	304	.....	4
Newport Circuit.....	142	.....	.....
Watauga Circuit.....	328	.....	5
	2648	.....	25

Morristown District.

Morristown Station.....	240	.....	1
Morristown Circuit.....	353	1	.....
Rutledge Circuit.....	331	.....	2
Rogersville and Kingsport Circuit...	520	.....	8
Estillville Circuit.....	435	.....	2
Rye Cove and Sneedville Circuit.....	403	.....	4
Jonesville Circuit.....	532	45	5
Powell's Valley Circuit.....	679	39	7
	3493	85	29

Knoxville District.

Knoxville Station.....	306	.....	5
North Knoxville Station.....	145	.....	.....
Maryville and Louisville Station.....	322	.....	3
Knox and Lenoir Station.....	392	.....	3
Maynardsville Station.....	330	.....	.....
Clinton Station.....	212	.....	3
Jacksboro Station.....	298	1	2
Dandridge and New Market Station..	332	.....	.....
Sevierville and Little River Station..	220	.....	2
	2557	1	18

Athens District.

Athens Station.....	70	.....	1
Athens Circuit.....	427	5	.....
Sweetwater Circuit.....	216	.....	1
Philadelphia Circuit.....	269	2	3

Athens District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Loudon Station.....	31	.....	1
Madisonville Circuit.....	293	.....	4
Decatur Circuit.....	391	.....	4
Riceville Circuit.....	329	.....	2
Tellico Mission.....	141	.....	.....
	2167	7	16

Chattanooga District.

Chattanooga Station.....	325	1	1
Chattanooga Circuit.....	233	.....	3
Cleveland Station.....	104	.....	1
Cleveland Circuit.....	405	.....	3
Charleston and Calhoun Station.....	138	.....	1
Benton Circuit.....	181	.....	1
Etna Circuit.....	395	2	4
Trenton Circuit.....	625	.....	4
	2406	3	18

Pikeville District.

Pikeville Circuit.....	200	1	3
Jasper Circuit.....	245	.....	1
Washington Circuit.....	242	.....	6
Hamilton and Chickamauga Mission	101	.....	1
Kingston Circuit.....	315	2	5
Tracy City Mission.....	156	.....	2
Cumberland and Jamestown Mission	156	1	5
	1415	4	23

Asheville District.

Asheville Station.....	194	.....	3
Asheville Circuit.....	507	.....	7
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	697	.....	5
Brevard.....	347	.....	2
Hendersonville Circuit.....	341	.....	1
Catawba Circuit.....	159	.....	3
Burnsville Circuit.....	371	.....	4
Bakersville and Cranberry Mission..	173	2	.....
Marshall and Pine Creek Mission....	222	4	1
	3011	6	26

Franklin District.

Franklin Circuit.....	623	.....	5
Murphy Circuit.....	203	3	6
Mine City Station.....	110	.....	.....
Webster Circuit.....	444	3	1
Waynesville Circuit.....	517	1	3
Fort Embree Circuit.....	291	.....	5
Echota Mission*.....	.....	.....	2
Cheoa Mission.....	95	.....	.....
Blue Ridge.....	120	.....	1
	2403	7	23
* Indians.....	102	.....	.....

Recapitulation.

Wytheville District.....	4381	30	43
Jeffersonville ".....	3056	10	25
Abingdon ".....	3383	9	18
Jonesboro ".....	2648	.....	25
Morristown ".....	3493	85	29
Knoxville ".....	2557	1	18
Athens ".....	2167	7	16
Chattanooga ".....	2406	3	18
Pikeville ".....	1415	4	23
Asheville ".....	3011	6	26
Franklin ".....	2403	7	23
Total this year.....	30,920	162	264
Total last year.....	29,473	190	221
Increase, Indians 20.....	1447	.....	43
Decrease.....	.....	28	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1109.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1624.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
352.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
2440.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
15,418.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$1650.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$844 56.

Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$1795 27.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Chattanooga, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. Dickey, P. E.

Wytheville, H. C. Neal.
Wytheville Circuit, B. W. S. Bishop, F. W. D. Mays.
Newbern, G. W. Callahan, D. W. Carter.
Hillsville, W. H. Stevens.
Jacksonville and Floyd Mission, to be supplied (by M. A. Davidson).
Grayson, B. F. Nuckolls.
Jefferson, F. D. Crumley.
Marion, G. W. Miles.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

George Stuart, P. E.

Jeffersonville, L. K. Haynes.
Liberty Hill, B. F. White.
{ Louisa Mission, to be supplied (by J. B. Horn).
{ McDowell Mission, to be supplied (by W. M. Crawford).
East Tazewell, J. T. Frazier, W. H. Kelly, Sup.
Seddon, P. J. Lockhart.
Pearisburg, T. F. Smith.
Princeton, R. A. Geddings.
Blue Stone Circuit, A. T. Harmon.

ABINGDON DISTRICT.

E. W. Moore, P. E.

Abingdon to be supplied (by T. P. Thomas).

Abingdon Circuit, J. M. Crismond.
Bristol, G. Taylor.
Bristol Circuit, W. P. Doane.
Saltville, W. H. Barnes, E. Vertegans, Sup.
Lebanon, F. A. Farley, J. H. Torbett, Sup.
Dickensonville, G. A. Frazier.
Gladeville Mission, to be supplied (by F. P. McGee).
Emory and Henry College, E. E. Wiley, President; J. A. Davis, Professor.
Martha Washington College, W. G. E. Cunningham, President.
Mountain View High School, D. Sullins, Principal.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

William Hicks, P. E.

Jonesboro, J. L. M. French.
Jonesboro Circuit, S. R. Wheeler.
Blountsville, W. Robeson.
Rhaetown, A. J. Frazier.
Greenville, M. L. Clendenen.
St. Clair, James Mahoney.
Newport, H. P. Waugh.
Fall Branch and Horse Creek Mission, to be supplied (by R. Steale).
{ Watauga, G. W. Simpson.
{ Taylorsville Mission, Jno. Mahoney.

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

F. Richardson, P. E.

Morristown and Mossy Creek, R. N. Price.
Morristown Circuit, J. R. Payne.
Rutledge, W. J. Phillips.
Rogersville, J. Smith.
Kingsport, G. R. Smith.
Estillville, L. C. Delashmit, W. P. Queen, Sup.
Rye Cove, J. C. Runyan.
Jonesville, P. S. Sutton.
Powell's Valley, D. H. Carr.
Tazewell, N. W. Vaughan, J. D. Baldwin, Sup.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

G. M. McTeer, P. E.

Knoxville:
Church Street, E. E. Hoss.
Broad Street, B. O. Davis, E. F. Lyon, Sup.
Maryville and Louisville, G. W. K. Green.
Knox and Lenoir, G. T. Gray.
Clinton, to be supplied (by R. A. Hutsell).
Maynardsville, T. R. Handy.
Jacksboro, C. K. Miller.
Dandridge, T. T. Salyer.
Sevierville, A. E. Woodward.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

C. Long, P. E.

Athens, R. H. Parker.
Athens Circuit, W. W. Pyott.
Sweetwater and Loudon, J. H. Keith, R. M. Hickey, Sup.
Philadelphia, S. V. Bates.
Madisonville, J. L. McGhee.
Decatur, L. L. H. Carlock.

Riceville, J. T. Smith.
 Tellico Mission, W. R. Barnett.
 Cane Creek Academy, J. H. Brunner, Principal.
 Hiwassee College, F. M. Grace, President.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

C. T. Carroll, P. E.

Chattanooga, J. Atkins.
 Chattanooga Circuit, R. J. Only.
 Cleveland, W. W. Bays.
 Cleveland Circuit, G. D. French.
 Chatata, W. D. Mountcastle.
 Charleston and Calhoun, J. H. Parrott.
 Etna Mines, A. T. Brooks.
 Etna Circuit, to be supplied (by H. B. Brandon).
 Trenton, E. H. Bogle.

PIKEVILLE DISTRICT.

W. W. Neal, P. E.

Pikeville, W. L. Turner.
 Jasper, W. C. Carden, W. B. Lyda, Sup.
 Washington, W. B. McElvy.
 Hamilton and North Chickamauga Mission, T. P. Darr.
 Kingston, J. R. Stradley, J. P. Dickey, S. Phillips, Sup.
 Tracy City and Altamonte Mission, A. P. Stair.
 Spencer Mission, E. W. Marsh.
 Crossville and Bonnard Mission, to be supplied (by W. M. Rush).
 Jamestown and Wartsburg Mission, to be supplied (by L. M. Renfro).

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. Boring, P. E.

Asheville, W. C. Bowman.
 Asheville Circuit, G. W. Martin, R. W. Pickens, Sup.
 Reynolds' Chapel and Beaver Dam, J. Reynolds, Sup.
 Sulphur Springs, W. H. Bates.
 Brevard, T. J. Pope.
 Hendersonville, J. K. P. Ball.
 Catawba, W. H. Cooper.
 Burnsville, I. W. Bird.
 Bakersville and Cranberry Mission, to be supplied (by B. R. Wilburn).
 Marshall and Pine Creek Mission, R. E. Smith.
 Asheville Female College, J. S. Kennedy, President.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

J. W. Bowman, P. E.

Franklin, T. F. Glenn.
 Murphy, J. A. Wiggins.
 Mine City, J. S. W. Neal.
 Fort Embree, C. E. Wiggins.
 Webster, H. J. Morgan.
 Waynesville, C. B. Fugate.
 Echota (Indian) Mission, J. R. Long.
 Cheoa, H. M. Bennett.
 Blue Ridge, to be supplied (by T. H. Edwards).
 S. D. Gaines, transferred to Arkansas Conference.
 J. C. Hyden, transferred to Western Conference.
 W. D. Mitchell, transferred to Trinity Conference.

5.—NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 29—Dec. —, 1871.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; BRAXTON CRAVEN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robah F. Bumpass, James Wilson, James W. Randall, Franklin A. Bishop, Frederick D. Dwindell, J. T. Bagwell, Philip Greening, Jesse H. Gwyn. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. T. Harriss, L. H. Gibbons, A. Boshamer, Wm. B. Maness, Andrew M. Long, Robert M. Brown, Frank L. Reid, Hugh F. Wiley, Wm. R. Ferguson, James Mahoney, Benjamin F. Dixon. 11.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

James T. McElhany, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

James J. Carden, Edward Howland, Joseph J. Renn, Wm. D. Lee, Thomas P. England,

Wm. T. McClellion, John F. Heitman, James Mahoney. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Thomas H. Edwards. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

S. V. Hoyle (from Baltimore Conference). 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Leonidas W. Crawford, John F. Heitman, Abner K. Murchison, Maxwell H. Hoyle, John N. Somers. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

James J. Carden, Edward Howland, Joseph J. Renn, Thomas P. England, W. T. McClellion, Frank L. Reid, J. T. Harriss. 7.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

James J. Carden, Edward Hawland, Joseph J. Renn, Thos. P. England, Wm. T. M'Clellion, Frank L. Reid, J. P. Harriss. 7.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

L. L. Smith, Julius A. Belk, D. W. Porter, Josiah Sutton, Wm. W. Womack. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

L. L. Smith, Jonas S. Montgomery, Frank Sandford, D. W. Porter, Wm. W. Womack. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Wm. H. Call, Baxter C. Phillips, Squire M. Davis. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

W. H. Call, Baxter C. Phillips, Squire M. Davis. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Albert W. Craft, Stokely D. Franklin, John B. Doub, Delanson C. Stimson, Perry D. Moore, Arthur F. Atkins, Louis Phillips, Angus J. Finlayson, David Brown. 9.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Albert W. Craft, Stokely D. Franklin, John B. Doub, Delanson C. Stimson, Perry D. Moore, Arthur F. Atkins, Louis Phillips, Angus J. Finlayson. 8.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

M. C. Thomas, C. W. King, George E. Wyche, D. May, C. E. Land, B. T. Blake, H. Gray, J. W. Floyd, S. B. Dozier, I. H. Hill, W. Holmes. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

George C. Bynum. 1.

GEORGE C. BYNUM, son of Mark Bynum, was born in Chatham county, N. C., November 15, 1847. He became conspicuously pious very early in life, and maintained the same character to its close. He was licensed to preach in the fall of 1866; was received on trial in the North Carolina Annual Conference, at Wilmington, December, 1867, and appointed to the Cumberland Circuit. During the years 1868 and 1869, he was in charge of the Franklinsville Circuit. His last field of labor was the South Guilford Circuit, where he died, July 11, 1871. He was a successful and improving preacher, "full of faith and the Holy Ghost." Wherever he went God gave him great favor in the eyes of the people, and crowned his labors with success. He was remarkable for his prudence, as well as deep piety, so that his brief record is without spot. His end was peaceful. When informed that he must soon die, he replied, "I am ready. I love God, and am in love with all men." He

then quoted that beautiful expression of the Psalmist: "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Raleigh District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh City	340	.....	3
Wesley Church	61	.....	.....
Wake	413	10	2
Rollsville	348	2	2
Smithfield	390	4	.....
Tar River	716	33	4
Louisburg	124	.....	.....
Granville	743	11	5
Henderson	570	14	.....
Nash	677	17	1
Rock Spring Mission	15	.....	.....
Wilson Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
	4397	91	17

Greensboro District.

Greensboro	203	.....	1
Guilford	420	.....	3
Trinity College and High Point	200	.....	3
Thomasville	250	.....	1
Davidson	602	.....	1
Asheboro	594	.....	1
Forsythe	770	15	9
Winston	160	15	1
Stokes	400	11	.....
Madison	386	26	2
Wentworth	537	37	1
Yanceyville	463	.....	1
Uwharrie Mission	26	.....	.....
	5011	104	24

Hillsboro District.

Hillsboro	250	.....	.....
Alamance	367	16	.....
Chapel Hill and Haw River	442	8	5
Durham	491	24	.....
Pittsboro	544	7	.....
Franklinsville	349	1	1
Leasburg	344	.....	1
Person	467	40	2
South Guilford	364	.....	3
High Rock Mission	162	15	.....
	3780	111	12

Salisbury District.

Salisbury	142	2	.....
Rowan	321	1	1
Union	199	17	1
Mocksville	900	.....	2
Jonesville	557	.....	2
Surry	300	20	9
Mount Airy	205	.....	3
Alexander	671	.....	2
Iredell	585	2	2
Wilkes	286	6	2
South Iredell	200	4	.....
Statesville	81	.....	2
	4447	52	26

Shelby District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Shelby Station	120	.....	1
Shelby Circuit.....	985	.....	5
Lincolnton.....	250	.....	.....
South Fork	618	.....	3
Rock Spring	817	.....	2
Dallas.....	240	.....	.....
Lenoir	845	7	6
Newton	755	.....	.....
Happy Home.....	374	2	3
Morganton.....	727	.....	3
McDowell.....	419	8	2
Upper Broad River Mission.....	84	.....	.....
Rutherford.....	604	.....	1
Columbus Mission.....	106	.....	.....
Cherry Mountain Mission.....	250	.....	1
South Mountain Mission.....	225	.....	3
	7419	17	30

Charlotte District.

Charlotte.....	300	.....	3
Calvary Mission.....	68	.....	.....
North Charlotte.....	365	.....	1
Pineville.....	167	.....	.....
South Charlotte.....	517	2	1
Monroe	114	.....	.....
Monroe Circuit.....	350	.....	3
Pleasant Grove	500	.....	.....
Concord.....	161	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	438	2	2
Albemarle	571	.....	1
Ansonville	400	10	2
Wadesboro.....	718	.....	1
	4669	14	14

Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville.....	320	1	.....
Cumberland.....	300	.....	2
Robeson	755	172	7
Rockingham.....	804	.....	7
Montgomery.....	525	.....	1
Uwharrie	635	.....	.....
Troy.....	672	2	2
Deep River	540	1	4
Jonesboro.....	483	.....	1
Buckhorn.....	505	.....	6
	5539	176	30

Wilmington District.

Wilmington:			
Front Street.....	320	10	.....
Fifth Street.....	144	.....	.....
Topsail	349	19	2
Kenansville.....	219	6	.....
Magnolia.....	305	.....	.....
Clinton.....	403	25	2
Bladen.....	307	2	1
Elizabeth	378	.....	.....
Whitesville	327	12	1
Smithville	418	.....	1
Onslow.....	293	.....	1
Cokesbury.....	525	.....	2
	3988	74	10

Newbern District.

Newbern.....	314	.....	3
Beaufort	237	.....	2
Straits	195	.....	1
Trent.....	305	.....	2
Kinston.....	65	.....	1
Jones	105	.....	.....
Snow Hill	472	.....	3
Swift Creek Mission.....	107	.....	.....
Newbern Circuit	205	.....	2
Lenoir	180	.....	1
Goldsboro.....	133	.....	1
Wilson.....	144	.....	.....

Newbern District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Everettsville.....	329	5	2
Wayne.....	442	.....	4
	3233	5	22

Washington District.

Washington and Greenville	185	.....	3
Neuse.....	359	.....	.....
Warren	585	1	3
Roanoke.....	746	1	5
Tarboro.....	116	.....	.....
Williamston.....	453	.....	3
Plymouth.....	43	.....	.....
Columbia.....	378	.....	3
Mattamuskeet	752	5	2
Portsmouth, Ocracoke, and Cape			
Hatteras	553	.....	5
Bath	214	.....	1
	4384	7	25

Recapitulation.

Raleigh District.....	4397	91	17
Greensboro	5011	104	24
Hillsboro	3780	111	12
Salisbury	4447	52	26
Shelby	7419	17	30
Charlotte	4669	14	14
Fayetteville	5539	176	30
Wilmington	3988	74	10
Newbern	3233	5	22
Washington	4384	7	25
Total this year.....	46,867	651	210
Total last year.....	46,051	1205	221
Increase	816		
Decrease		554	11

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1547.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1831.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
580.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
3912.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
25,030.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$5000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2482 34.

Applied for superannuated preachers and widows and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

On the Old Debt, \$1036 58
For this year, 2825 48

\$3862 06

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Fayetteville, N. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

N. F. Reid, P. E.

Raleigh City, A. W. Mangum.
Wake and Wesley Chapel, A. R. Raven.
Rollsville, A. D. Betts.
Smithfield, J. E. Thompson.
Tar River, P. J. Caraway.
Louisburg, O. J. Brent.
{ Granville, W. C. Gannon.
{ Rock Spring Mission, M. J. Hunt.
Henderson, H. H. Gibbons.
{ Nash, T. B. Reeks.
{ Wilson Mission, to be supplied (by J. Johnson).
Editor *Raleigh Christian Advocate*, J. B. Bobbitt.
Associate Editor, H. T. Hudson.
Agent Sunday-schools, Jas. Reid.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Wm. Barringer, P. E.

Hillsboro, L. W. Crawford.
Alamance, R. S. Webb.
Chapel Hill and Haw River, J. B. Martin.
Pittsboro, W. H. Moore.
Franklinsville and Cedar Falls, J. C. Thomas.
Deep River, W. F. Clegg.
South Guilford, Zebedee Rush.
Leasburg, J. W. Jenkins.
Person, Wm. M. Jordan.
Durham, J. J. Renn.
High Rock Mission, A. Norman.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

Wm. H. Bobbitt, P. E.

Greensboro, Jesse A. Cuninggim.
Guilford, C. H. Phillips.
Trinity College, B. Craven.
Thomasville and High Point, C. M. Pepper.
Davidson, W. D. Meacham.
{ Asheboro, D. C. Johnson.
{ Uwharrie Mission, I. F. Kerans.
{ Forsythe, S. H. Helsabeck.
{ Winston, H. P. Cole.
Stokes, to be supplied (by A. W. Craft).
Madison, F. L. Reid.
Wentworth, J. W. Lewis.
Yanceyville, S. V. Hoyle.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

W. L. Wood, P. E.

Salisbury, R. G. Barrett.
{ Rowan, C. Plyler.
{ East Rowan, E. Howland.
Mocksville, J. S. Nelson.
Jonesville, R. T. N. Stephenson.
Iredell, J. F. Smoot.
Statesville, J. W. Jenkins.
Statesville Circuit, J. W. Puett.

Union, T. L. Triplett.

Alexander, W. H. Hoyle.

Mount Airy, J. F. Heitman.

{ Surry, F. A. Bishop.
{ Saureton Mission, to be supplied (by W. F. Needham).

Wilkes, to be supplied (by Miles Fay).

Mountain Mission, to be supplied.

SHELBY DISTRICT.

E. W. Thompson, P. E.

Shelby Station, J. W. North.
Shelby Circuit, J. S. Erwin.
• Upper Shelby Circuit, T. H. Edwards.
Lincolnton, V. A. Sharp.
South Fork, J. W. Abernethy.
Rock Spring, T. P. Ricaud.
Dallas, to be supplied (by J. C. Smith).
Lenoir, P. L. Herman.
Newton, L. Shell.
Happy Home, W. T. McClellion.
{ Morganton, G. W. Ivy.
{ South Mountain Mission, to be supplied (by L. C. White).
McDowell, W. C. Wilson.
Upper Broad River Mission, A. M. Long.
{ Rutherfordton, W. D. Lee.
{ Columbus Mission, to be supplied (by D. C. Stimson).
Cherry Mountain, T. P. England.
President Davenport Female College, W. M. Robey.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

W. S. Black, P. E.

{ Charlotte, W. S. Burkhead.
{ Calvary Mission, W. S. Haltom.
North Charlotte Circuit, J. C. Hartsel.
Pineville, S. M. Davis.
South Charlotte Circuit, J. N. Somers.
Monroe Station, B. F. Dixon.
Monroe Circuit, J. W. Randall.
Pleasant Grove, Philip Greening.
Concord, D. R. Bruton.
Mount Pleasant, S. Leard.
Albemarle, James Mahoney.
Rock River Mission, to be supplied (by T. W. Kendall).
Ansonville, T. J. Gattis.
Wadesboro Station, M. V. Sherril.
Wadesboro Circuit, R. M. Brown.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. P. Moore, P. E.

Fayetteville, J. E. Mann.
Cumberland, R. F. Bumpass.
Robeson, J. Tillet.
Rockingham, T. W. Guthrie.
Pedee, T. A. Boon.
Uwharrie, J. B. Alford.
Troy, Gaston Farrar.
Carthage, L. H. Gibbons.
Jonesboro, S. D. Peeler.
Cape Fear Mission, T. C. Moses.
Buckhorn, I. W. Avent.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

William Closs, P. E.

Wilmington:

Front Street, R. S. Moran.
 Fifth Street, A. Boshamer.
 Topsail, J. D. Buie.
 { Kenansville, C. M. Anderson.
 { Magnolia, J. T. Harriss.
 Clinton, John Jones.
 Cokesbury, J. B. Bailey.
 Bladen, J. T. Bagwell.
 Elizabeth, A. K. Murchison.
 Abbotsburg, W. R. Ferguson.
 Whiteville, W. B. Maness.
 Smithville, J. L. Keen.
 { Richlands, to be supplied (by J. T. Gibbs).
 { Onslow Mission, R. T. Bibb.
 Church of the Strangers, N. Y., C. F. Deems.

NEWBERN DISTRICT.

E. A. Yates, P. E.

Goldsboro, J. R. Griffith.
 Wilson, F. H. Wood.
 Wayne, J. N. Andrews.
 Everettville, C. C. Dodson.
 Kinston, J. R. Brooks.
 Snow Hill, W. S. Chaffin.
 Swift Creek Mission, N. A. Hooker.

Jones, James Wilson.

{ Lenoir, D. Culbreth.
 { Newbern Circuit, to be supplied (by D. W
 { Porter).
 Newbern, L. L. Hendren.
 Neuse, to be supplied.
 Trent, J. H. Gwyn.
 Beaufort, J. H. Wheeler.
 Straits, to be supplied.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

S. D. Adams, P. E.

Washington and Greenville, W. H. Call.
 Warren, R. A. Willis.
 Roanoke, I. T. Wyche.
 Tarboro, Joseph Wheeler.
 Williamston, B. B. Culbreth.
 Plymouth, F. D. Swindell.
 Columbia, to be supplied (by F. A. Andrews).
 Bath, H. F. Wiley.
 Mattamuskeet, B. C. Phillips.
 Portsmouth, Ocracoke, and Cape Hatteras, W.
 M. D. Moore.
 Superintendent Interest of Colored People in
 Virginia and North Carolina, R. O. Burton.
 J. C. Carden, transferred to St. Louis Con-
 ference.

6.—SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SPARTANBURG, S. C., *December 13-18, 1871.*BISHOP PAINE, *President*; F. MILTON KENNEDY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Archibald R. Danner, Daniel D.
 Dantzer, Dove Tiller, Thomas W. Smith, J.
 Lee Dixon, John Kelly McCain, Hugh W.
 Whittaker, Charles C. Fishburne, Olin L. Du-
 rant, John B. Wilson. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. Sidney Beasley, George M. Boyd, E.
 Toland Hodges, Robert N. Wells, Welborn
 D. Kirkland, George W. Gatlin, Richard D.
 Smart. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
tion?

Jesse A. Clifton, George T. Harmon, J.
 Marion Boyd, Joseph F. England, A. Game-
 well Gantt, Christian V. Barnes, Thomas A.
 Griffiths. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

J. H. C. McKinney. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from
other Conferences?

Marcus A. McKibben. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
None.Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elect-
ed deacons?

Welborn D. Kirkland, Richard D. Smart,
 Jesse A. Clifton, A. Gamewell Gantt, Thomas
 A. Griffiths, George T. Harmon, Joseph F.
 England, Christian V. Barnes. 8.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are or-
dained deacons?

Welborn D. Kirkland, Richard D. Smart,
 Jesse A. Clifton, A. Gamewell Gantt, Thomas
 A. Griffiths, George T. Harmon, Joseph F.
 England, Christian V. Barnes. 8.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected
deacons?

J. Sidney Beasley, N. McNair Smith, Mabry
 Mauldin, J. H. Gault. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained
deacons?

J. Sidney Beasley, Mabry Mauldin, Jas. H.
 Gault. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Reuben L. Duffie, Silas P. H. Elwell, Thos. A. Griffiths. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Reuben L. Duffie, Silas P. H. Elwell, Thos. A. Griffiths. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Conrad Senn. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Conrad Senn. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

T. Sumter Daniel, Jas. D. Carpenter. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

R. B. Tarrant, Allan McCorquodale, Lewis A. Johnson, Samuel B. Jones, John A. Wood, Francis M. Morgan, William A. Hodges, William H. Lawton, Alexander B. Stephens, Jacob S. Connor. 10.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Charles Betts, Nicholas Talley, Joel W. Townsend, William C. Patterson, David Derrick, Alexander L. Smith, Edward J. Pennington. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Peyton G. Bowman, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Charleston District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charleston:			
Trinity and Cumberland	288	.....	1
Bethel	251	.....	1
Spring Street	235	.....	.....
Cooper River Circuit	388	76	2
Cooper River Mission	98	6	3
Cypress Circuit	413	1	1
Walterboro Circuit	528	170	3
St. George Circuit	498	.....	2
St. George Mission	388	16	.....
Eastern Orange Circuit	250	.....	3
Providence Circuit	468	.....	2
St. Matthew's Circuit	220	.....	.....
Upper St. Matthew's Circuit	150	.....	.....
	4205	269	18

Bamberg District.

Bamberg Circuit	212	.....	2
Blackville Circuit	270	.....	.....
Edisto Circuit	362	2	1
Barnwell Circuit	200	5	1
Aiken Station	31	.....	.....
Graniteville Mission	108	1	.....
Upper Orange Circuit	359	7	3
Orangeburg Station	106	.....	.....
Branchville Circuit	222	.....	.....
Colleton Circuit	650	7	1

Bamberg District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Allendale Circuit	268	40	.....
Black Swamp Circuit	189	110	2
Hardeeville Mission	53	2	.....
	3029	174	10

Columbia District.

Columbia:			
{ Washington Street	268	.....	1
{ Columbia City Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
{ Marion Street	158	2	1
Richland Fork Circuit	242	87	.....
Columbia Circuit	390	.....	.....
East Chester Circuit	438	.....	2
Chester Circuit	227	.....	.....
Winnboro Circuit	140	26	.....
Fairfield Circuit	389	60	3
{ Lexington Circuit	722	139	3
{ Lexington Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
Little Saluda Circuit	365	4	2
Edgefield Circuit	300	4	.....
	3639	322	12

Sumter District.

Sumter Station	176	1	.....
Sumter Circuit	448	.....	2
Santee Circuit	304	4	3
Manchester Mission	40	1	1
Lynchburg Circuit	590	50	4
Manning Circuit	295	.....	.....
Bishopville Circuit	467	9	1
Darlington Circuit	700	.....	4
Chesterfield Circuit	797	2	4
Zoar Circuit	250	.....	.....
Cheraw Station	100	.....	3
Westfield Creek Mission	112	1	.....
Lancaster Station	69	.....	1
Hanging Rock Circuit	360	.....	1
Camden Station	81	.....	.....
	4789	68	24

Marion District.

Marion Station	204	.....	.....
Marion Circuit	462	4	3
Little Rock Circuit	690	.....	4
Bennettsville Circuit	1235	17	6
Buck Swamp Circuit	601	.....	2
North Marlboro	212	3	1
Liberty Chapel Circuit	63	.....	1
Lynch's Creek Circuit	348	6	1
Darlington Station	89	.....	.....
Timmonsville Circuit	315	.....	2
Georgetown Station	181	1	.....
Kingstree Circuit	507	.....	1
Black Mingo Circuit and Mission	433	1	5
Conwayboro and Bucksville Circuit	137	.....	.....
Conwayboro Circuit and Mission	765	119	4
Waccamaw Circuit and Mission	172	3	2
	6504	154	32

Spartanburg District.

Spartanburg Station	385	.....	7
{ Spartanburg Circuit and Mission	314	7	1
{ Cherokee Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
Rich Hill Circuit	550	25	1
Pacolet Circuit	225	186	.....
Fair Forest Circuit	421	61	1
Unionville and Sardis	146	.....	.....
Cane Creek and Goshen Hill	271	.....	1
Belmont Circuit	290	.....	.....
Yorkville Station	529	20	.....
Rock Hill Circuit	320	.....	1
Gowansville Circuit	217	2	.....
	3668	301	12

Greenville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greenville Station.....	134	.....	.....
Greenville Circuit.....	820	.....	4
Reidville Circuit.....	500	.....	.....
Walhalla Circuit.....	423	2	1
Pickensville Circuit.....	589	.....	2
Williamston Station.....	150	1	.....
Seneca Circuit.....	448	.....	3
Anderson Station.....	127	.....	.....
Anderson Circuit.....	368	.....	2
Pendleton Circuit.....	1146	.....	2
	4705	3	14

Cokesbury District.

Cokesbury Station.....	151	.....	1
Cokesbury Circuit.....	463	.....	1
Abbeville Station.....	85	.....	.....
Abbeville Circuit.....	400	.....	1
Lowndesville Station.....	250	.....	.....
Ninety-six Circuit.....	416	.....	1
Saluda River Mission.....	75	12	.....
Dorn's Mine Circuit.....	415	.....	3
Laurens Circuit.....	531	20	3
Clinton Circuit.....	268	.....	.....
Tumbling Shoals Circuit.....	339	5	.....
Newberry Station.....	95	.....	.....
Newberry Circuit.....	690	.....	3
	4198	37	13

Recapitulation.

Charleston District.....	4205	269	18
Bamberg ".....	3029	174	10
Columbia ".....	3639	322	12
Sumter ".....	4789	8	24
Marion ".....	6504	154	32
Spartanburg ".....	3668	301	12
Greenville ".....	4705	3	14
Cokesbury ".....	4198	37	13
Total this year.....	34,737	1328	135
Total last year.....	32,240	1536	131
Increase.....	2,497		4
Decrease.....		208	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1690.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1732.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
427.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
2723.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
17,812.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$7000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$4,149 71.

Distributed among the different claimants in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$2830 09.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Anderson, S. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

William P. Mouzon, P. E.

Charleston:

{ Trinity and Cumberland, Whitef'd Smith.

{ City Mission, Richard D. Smart.

Bethel, A. M. Chrietzberg.

Spring Street, John T. Wightman.

{ Berkely Circuit, A. Gamewell Gantt.

{ Cooper River Mission, to be supplied.

Cypress Circuit, P. F. Kistler.

St. Paul's Mission, to be supplied.

Lower St. George's, A. R. Danner.

Bamberg Circuit, Thomas Raysor, C. C. Fishburne.

Walterboro Circuit, B. G. Jones, one to be supplied.

Colleton, C. Wilson.

Allendale, T. E. Wannamaker.

{ Black Swamp, J. J. Workman.

{ Hardeeville Mission, J. R. Coburn.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.

Hugh A. C. Walker, P. E.

Orangeburg, F. Auld.

Eastern Orange, William Carson.

Branchville, Dennis J. Simmons.

Providence, John H. Zimmerman.

St. Matthew's, J. W. Crider.

St. George's, W. A. Clarke.

Edisto, D. W. Seale, R. B. Tarrant, Sup.

Graham, J. W. McRoy.

Barnwell, R. R. Dagnall.

Aiken Mission, G. J. Griffiths.

Graniteville Mission, J. C. Miller.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

Sidi H. Browne, P. E.

Columbia:

{ Washington Street, Manning Brown.

{ City Mission, to be supplied.

Marion Street, W. D. Kirkland.

Richland Fork Circuit, John K. McCain.

Columbia Circuit, Jesse A. Clifton.

Winnsboro Circuit, J. H. C. McKinney, J. S.

Connor, Sup.

Fairfield Circuit, J. L. Shuford, Thomas A. Griffiths.

Lexington Circuit, L. C. Loyal.

Lexington Mission, to be supplied.

Leesville Circuit, G. W. Gatlin.

East Chester, G. M. Boyd.

Chester, J. T. Kilgo.

Upper Orange, J. Sidney Beasley.

Upper St. Matthew's, J. W. Humbert.

Washington Street Church, Columbia, William Martin, Agent.

SUMTER DISTRICT.

William H. Fleming, P. E.

Sumter, J. M. Carlisle.
Sumter Circuit, S. J. Hill, one to be supplied.
{ Sentee, J. L. Sifley.
{ Manchester, to be supplied.
Lynchburg, L. M. Little, D. Tiller.
Munning, A. Ervin.
Kingstree, A. Nettles.
Camden, A. J. Stokes.
Johnsonville, M. L. Banks.
Timmons ville, G. H. Wells.
{ Liberty Chapel, A. J. Stafford.
{ Lynch's Creek Circuit, S. P. H. Elwell.
Bishopville, S. A. Weber.

MARION DISTRICT.

John W. Kelly, P. E.

Marion, R. R. Pegues.
Marion Circuit, W. W. Jones.
Buck Swamp, Thomas Mitchell.
Little Rock, J. C. Stoll, E. Toland Hodges.
Bennettsville Circuit, J. A. Porter, J. F. England.
North Marlboro, W. L. Pegues.
Darlington Circuit, J. B. Campbell, John B. Wilson.
Georgetown, William C. Power.
Bucks ville and Conwayboro, W. Thomas.
Conwayboro Circuit and Mission, M. A. Connolly.
Waccamaw Circuit and Mission, R. L. Duffie.
Waccamaw Mission, to be supplied.

LANCASTER DISTRICT.

Osgood A. Darby, P. E.

Lancaster, J. R. Little.
Hanging Rock Circuit, T. W. Munnerlyn.
Chesterfield Circuit, J. B. Platt.
{ Cheraw, W. W. Mood.
{ Westfield Mission, to be supplied (by A. J. Wilson).
{ Harris's Creek Mission, to be supplied (by J. W. Coward).
Zoar Circuit and Lynch's Creek Mission, to be supplied (by C. A. Piler).
Yorkville, A. W. Walker.
York Circuit, L. J. Johnson, Sup.
Rock Hill Circuit, J. E. Watson.

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

Thomas G. Herbert, P. E.

Spartanburg, C. H. Pritchard.
Spartanburg Circuit and Mission, to be supplied.

Rich Hill, N. K. Melton.
Pacolet, J. Lee Dixon.
Fair Forest, to be supplied.
Unionville and Sardis, C. Thomason.
Goshen Hill, T. J. Clyd .
Belmont, J. B. Massebeau.
Gowansville, J. C. Crisp.
Laurens Circuit, M. A. McKibben, R. N. Wells.
Clinton, William Bowman.
Cane Creek, Thomas W. Smith.
Orphan's Home, R. C. Oliver, Agent.
Spartanburg Female College, S. B. Jones, President.
Wofford College, A. M. Shipp, President; A. H. Lester, Professor.
Editor *S. C. Advocate*, F. Milton Kennedy.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

Robert P. Franks, P. E.

Greenville, E. J. Meynardie.
Greenville Circuit, C. V. Barnes.
Buena Vista and Batesville, J. A. Attaway.
Reidville Circuit, John Watts.
Walhalla Circuit, D. J. McMillan, F. M. Morgan.
Pickensville Circuit, G. T. Harmon.
Williamston, S. Lander, J. A. Wood, Sup.
Seneca, O. L. Durant.
Brushy Creek, A. B. Stephens, Sup.
Anderson, R. L. Harper.
Anderson Circuit, D. D. Byars, W. A. Hodges, Sup.
Pendleton, J. B. Traywick.

COKEsbury DISTRICT.

Henry M. Mood, P. E.

Cokesbury, L. Wood.
Cokesbury Circuit, J. W. Murray, D. D. Dantzler.
Abbeville, W. T. Capers.
Abbeville Circuit, J. E. Penny.
Lowndesville, A. J. Cawthen.
Greenwood Circuit, William Hutto, W. H. Lawton, Sup.
Dorn's Mine Circuit, G. M. Boyd.
Newberry, J. A. Mood.
Newberry Circuit, A. P. Avant, H. W. Whitaker.
Little Saluda, G. W. M. Creighton.
Edgefield, Simpson Jones.
Tumbling Shoals, John Finger.
Cokesbury School, G. F. Round, Rector.

R. B. Alston transferred to Little Rock Conference, and appointed to Princeton Circuit.

7.—NORTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ATHENS, GA., Nov. 29—Dec. 5, 1871.

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; JOHN W. HEIDT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. George W. Hardaway, James S. Embry, John R. Pate, Arthur C. Davidson, Joshua M. Parker, William P. Lovejoy, Geo. C. Rankin, John T. Richardson, John H. Roberson, George R. Park, Thomas R. Pierce, Heyden C. Christian, John D. Hammond, Robert P. Martyn, Josiah F. Holmes, James S. Bryan, Willard W. Wadsworth. 17.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thomas H. Gibson, Boling H. Sasnett, Alexander Odom, John B. McFarland, Joseph P. Wardlaw, Joseph M. Hardin, Walter R. Branhams, jr., Samuel D. Evans, Allen C. Thomas, David L. Anderson, Curtis A. Connaway, Jas. R. Mayson, William H. Graham, David J. Weems. 14.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Felix P. Brown, Benjamin E. Ledbetter, Thomas H. Timmons, Wesley G. Hanson, John W. Baker, George E. Gardner. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Benjamin W. Williams, Noah H. Palmer. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

R. A. Giddens. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

William A. Fariss, Marion A. Eakes, James N. Meyers, Eldridge K. Aiken, David Nolan. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas H. Gibson, Allen C. Thomas, David J. Weems, Benjamin E. Ledbetter. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas H. Gibson, Allen C. Thomas, David J. Weems, Benjamin E. Ledbetter. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Benjamin J. Johnson, John M. Venable, George K. Quillian, Josiah D. Jarrard, Levi F. Burtz, Crawford C. Morgan, Benjamin T. Thomas, John H. Robeson, William Martin, John M. White, Hiram B. Brown, William J. Johnson, John W. Gillian, Elijah H. McWhorter, James M. Blalock, Hilliard J. Fowler, Jos. C. Story. 17.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Benjamin J. Johnson, John M. Venable, Geo. K. Quillian, Josiah D. Jarrard, Levi F. Burtz, Crawford C. Morgan, Benjamin T. Thomas, John H. Robeson, Andrew O. Hughes, John H. Mashburn, Dionysius C. Oliver. 11.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

James H. Baxter, John W. Stipe, George E. Gardner, John M. Bowden. 4.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

James H. Baxter, John W. Stipe, George E. Gardner, John M. Bowden. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

William G. Johnson, Robison M. Hughes, Thomas J. Simmons, Alex. B. Thrasher. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Robison M. Hughes.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Alexander Means, Robert A. Seale, David W. Calhoun, John T. Norris, Peter A. Heard, Albert W. Rowland, Robert H. Jones. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Wm. J. Parks, Edmund P. Birch, Jesse W. Carroll, James M. Armstrong, John B. C. Quillian, John P. Howell, Robert A. Conner, Henry Cranford, Andrew J. Deavors, John M. Bright, Morgan Bellah, Claiborne Trussell, Goodman Hughes, John P. Duncan, James B. Payne. 15.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Alfred G. Carpenter, John W. Turner. 2.

J. W. TURNER, eldest son of the late Rev. Allen Turner, of precious memory, was born July 8, 1827, and died in Senoia, Georgia, May 27, 1871. He was converted and added to the Church in early life. He graduated at Emory College, was licensed to preach, and was married to Miss Georgia A. Daniel, of Liberty county, during the year 1852. This Christian lady lived to bless him in his labors until 1858, when she was suddenly called up on high. Eleven years after this bereavement he was again blessed with a Christian wife—Mary J., daughter of Dr. Hunnicut, of Coweta county. She still survives, and, with the orphan children, well deserves the confidence of the Confer-

ence. He was received on trial in the Georgia Conference, at Lagrange, December, 1855, and ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew, in 1856, and elder by Bishop Pierce, 1858. The following is a list of his appointments: 1856, Gainesville; 1857, Dahlonga; 1858, Palmetto; 1859, Hinesville; 1860, Jacksonville; 1861, Dalton; 1862, Hinesville; 1863, Andrew Chapel, Savannah; 1864, Army Missionary; 1865, Clinton; 1866, Jackson; 1867, Brunswick District; 1868, Jonesboro; 1869, Fayetteville; 1870, Monroe. In all these appointments he gave full proof of his ministry, except on Monroe Circuit, when rapidly declining health prevented his service; as, also, the Brunswick District, from which work the Bishop released him. As a minister, both in the pulpit and in the pastoral field, he had a heart for the work. His preaching was according to the New Testament pattern: "not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." He was "in labors more abundant." The prophetic words, belonging to our Saviour, might, in a subordinate sense, be applied to his servant: "The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up." When his lungs were almost gone, this pale, feeble messenger of peace still persuaded men to be reconciled to God. The laborer still went forward in the harvest-field till he fainted amid the gathered sheaves, and was borne home to die. As a Christian he had lived so that he was ready to rest from his labors. When last spring was blooming into summer, our brother was clothed with immortality. Triumphant was his departure. We learn that he sent to this Conference the message: "With all my imperfections, I find my feet planted on the Rock." His last whispers were: "Home!"—"Heaven!"—"No clouds!"

ALFRED G. CARPENTER was born in South Carolina, August 1, 1837. In 1842 his father, Thomas Carpenter, moved and settled in Stilesboro, Cass county, Ga. Alfred professed religion and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, when he was only fourteen years of age. Some time afterward he became careless on the subject of religion, and lost its enjoyment and power, and was not reclaimed until he was about eighteen years of age. He was then licensed to exhort, and served the Church in that relation, and as a Sunday-school superintendent, until he was twenty-five years of age. On December 13, 1860, he married Miss Mary Hubbard, of Polk county, Ga. In 1862 he was licensed to preach the gospel by the Rev. Jno. W. Glenn, and served the Church as a local preacher for six years. He served the Dallas Circuit, as a supply, in 1868. He was admitted on trial in the North Georgia Conference, at Griffin, in the fall of 1868, and sent back to the Dallas Circuit in 1869. He was ordained an elder at Griffin, Ga., and continued on trial in the Conference at Rome. He was received into full connection at Augusta, in November, 1870. He served the Cumming Circuit in 1870, and was reappointed

to the same work for 1871. Such is the brief record of the ministerial service of our young friend and brother, Carpenter, until disease and death came and released him from his labors in the Church below. Pulmonary consumption, that insidious disease so often eluding observation and baffling all skill, seized upon him, and so prostrated his powers that he was unable to do any work during the current year. At last he was confined to his bed, and after much suffering, characterized by many blessed spiritual fruits and graces, he died on the 31st of September last, in the parsonage at Cumming, in great peace and triumph. He was a noble type of a Christian gentleman, was greatly beloved by his charge, and died deeply lamented by all who knew him. He leaves a widow, who was a devoted wife and participant in his various joys and sorrows, and also five little children, between the ages of two and ten years, dependent on the prayers and charities of the Church, and the professional aid and care of the Conference, and of that God whom the preacher, the husband, and the father served so well. Let us not forget him and his!

Forget not the dead who have loved, who have left us,
Who bend o'er us now from their bright homes
above,
But believe—never doubt—that the God who bereft us,
Permits them to mingle with friends they still love.

Great faith, exemplary piety, and constant prayer, characterized the life of our deceased brother. He relinquished his work with great regret, but left it, it is said, in a healthier state than it had been previously for years. The mystery of God's providence, and the reconciliation of the divine goodness with the divine administration in his own afflictions and disappointment, in the early surrender of his ministerial hopes of usefulness, was a problem which disturbed his mind sorely for weeks before his death; but at last faith triumphed over reason—he found peace and resignation to the divine will, and he said just before his departure, "My sky has been all clouded, but now it is all clear;" and so he surrendered earth's hopes, dear as life, for the better hopes set before him in Christ above, and the eternal inheritance at God's right hand. Let us imitate his example, and so live in the earlier days that in the latter days we may say with Goethe, at the age of seventy-five, "One must of course think frequently of death, but the thought never gives me the least uneasiness. I am so fully convinced that the soul is indestructible, and that its activity will continue through eternity; it is like the sun which, to our earthly eyes, seems set in night, but in reality has gone to diffuse its effulgence in other lands." Let us so live that, when the sun of life goes down, we may say, with our brother, "My sky is all clear." Why should we weep for him? for another has beautifully said, "Joy most of all loves to see death at her festive board—for he is himself a joy and the last rapture of earth. Only the vulgar can confound the heavenward flight of humanity into the far-off land

of eternal spring with the funereal phenomena of earth."

Not for him, but for us, should our tears now be shed, Mourn—mourn for the living, but not for the dead. Let the dirge be unsung—awaken the psalm; No cypress for him who lies crowned with the palm.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Augusta District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Augusta:			
St. John's.....	350	.....	3
St. James.....	480	.....	3
Asbury.....	355	.....	2
Richmond Circuit.....	402	.....	3
Appling Circuit.....	281	.....	.....
Thomson Circuit.....	343	.....	5
Warrenton Circuit.....	749	.....	7
Sparta Station.....	220	.....	1
Hancock.....	500	.....	2
Crawfordville.....	175	.....	.....
Milledgeville.....	164	.....	.....
Baldwin Circuit.....	182	.....	.....
	4251	.....	26

Athens District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Athens.....	475	.....	3
Oconee Station.....	34	.....	1
Factory Mission.....	156	.....	.....
Watkinsville Circuit.....	605	1	7
Madison.....	95	.....	.....
Morgan Circuit.....	329	.....	1
Greensboro Circuit.....	169	.....	2
White Plains Circuit.....	372	1	3
Lexington Circuit.....	222	.....	1
Winterville Circuit.....	219	121	1
Washington.....	123	.....	.....
Broad River Circuit.....	242	65	1
Little River Circuit.....	218	.....	.....
Eatonton.....	129	.....	1
Putnam Circuit.....	350	.....	4
	3738	188	25

Elberton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Elberton Circuit.....	169	.....	.....
Bethlehem.....	150	1	1
Elbert Circuit.....	490	.....	5
Lincolnton.....	325	25	2
Jefferson.....	689	30	7
Carnesville.....	360	.....	4
Franklin Springs.....	227	.....	3
Homer.....	540	39	4
Hartwell.....	568	.....	6
Clarksville.....	506	40	8
Clayton Mission.....	140	.....	1
	4164	145	41

Dahlonega District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dahlonega.....	388	34	4
Dawsonville.....	512	12	4
Cumming.....	685	.....	9
Alpharetta.....	.....	.....	.....
Canton.....	496	12	7
Cherokee.....	305	1	5
Cleveland.....	540	.....	9

Dahlonega District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Blairsville Mission.....	335	10	6
Gainesville.....	700	9	5
Laurensville.....	1223	.....	8
	5184	78	57

Rome District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rome.....	293	.....	2
Rome Circuit.....	254	2	2
Forrestville.....	432	3	4
Oostanula.....	340	.....	4
Cave Springs.....	350	.....	8
Cedar Town.....	229	.....	1
Van Wert.....	300	.....	3
Subligna.....	390	6	1
Sumnerville.....	527	.....	6
Lafayette.....	278	1	4
Lookout Mountain Mission.....	344	.....	4
	3647	12	39

Dalton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dalton.....	196	.....	2
Dalton Circuit.....	369	.....	6
Tunnel Hill.....	127	.....	2
Ringgold.....	178	.....	.....
Rock Spring.....	318	.....	5
Spring Place.....	375	.....	6
Murray Mission.....	37	.....	.....
Calhoun.....	275	.....	1
Tilton and Resaca.....	255	.....	1
Kingston.....	430	.....	3
Ellijay.....	284	4	.....
Jasper.....	316	4	3
	3160	8	29

Marietta District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marietta.....	189	.....	4
Acworth.....	502	2	12
Roswell.....	468	.....	7
Powder Springs.....	465	.....	6
Dallas.....	310	2	3
Carrollton and Bowden.....	627	.....	14
Villa Rica.....	604	.....	6
Haralson Mission.....	127	.....	3
Sand Town.....	196	.....	1
Campbellton.....	415	.....	3
Cartersville.....	195	.....	4
Cassville.....	565	5	8
	4663	9	971

Lagrange District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lagrange.....	172	.....	1
Troup.....	591	.....	2
West Point and Long Cane.....	200	.....	1
Whitesville.....	483	.....	10
Greenville, Trinity & Fletcher's Chp'l.....	208	.....	1
Chalybeate Springs.....	396	.....	1
Grantville.....	463	.....	3
Senoia.....	398	.....	7
Hogansville.....	348	.....	3
Newnan.....	171	.....	1
Palmetto.....	410	2	4
Franklin.....	360	.....	3
	4200	2	37

Atlanta District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Atlanta:			
First Church.....	541	.....	2
Trinity.....	392	.....	5
Evans's Chapel.....	359	.....	5
Payne's Chapel.....	322	.....	5
{ Edgewood and Third Ward.....	.....	.....	.....
{ Fourth Ward Mission.....	241	.....	.....

Atlanta District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Atlanta Circuit.....	500	.....	2
Fulton	476	.....	2
Decatur	510	.....	7
Covington and Mount Pleasant	195	.....	1
Oxford.....	702	1	11
Conyers.....	852	.....	5
Monticello.....	220	.....	2
Ocmulgee Mission.....	126	.....	.....
Newbern.....	302	.....	4
Monroe.....	503	2	2
	6241	3	53

Griffin District.

{ Griffin.....	375	3
{ Griffin City Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Zebulon.....	417	.....	1
Pike and Pine Mount Mission.....	285	.....	1
Thomaston.....	585	.....	7
Barnesville.....	268	.....	5
McDonough.....	450	.....	5
Jonesboro.....	320	.....	4
Forest Station Mission.....	65	.....	.....
Fayetteville.....	672	.....	7
Culloden.....	377	2	2
Clinton.....	203	.....	1
Jackson.....	400	.....	2
Forsyth.....	190	.....	.....
Forsyth Circuit.....	419	.....	3
	5026	2	41

Recapitulation.

Augusta District.....	4251	.....	26
Athens ".....	3738	188	25
Elberton ".....	4164	145	41
Dahlonega ".....	5184	78	57
Rome ".....	3647	12	39
Dalton ".....	3160	8	29
Marietta ".....	4663	9	71
Lagrange ".....	4200	2	37
Atlanta ".....	6241	3	53
Griffin ".....	5026	2	41
Total this year.....	44,274	447	419
Total last year.....	42,121	851	395
Increase.....	2153	.....	24
Decrease.....	.....	404	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1114.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
3028.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
470.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
3362.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
24,692.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$7010.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$5788 41.
Paid to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$6099 90.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Atlanta, Ga.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Caleb W. Key, P. E.

Augusta:

St. John's, Alfred T. Mann, David W. Calhoun, Sup.

St. James's, Harwell H. Parks.

Asbury, Lewis J. Davies.

Richmond, Daniel Kelsey.

Appling, William A. Florence.

Thomson, John M. Lowrey.

{ Warrenton, Wesley F. Smith.

{ Ogeechee Mission, to be supplied (by J. Purvis).

Sparta, Willis T. Caldwell.

Hancock, Felix P. Brown, Thomas R. Pierce.

Crawfordville, Allen C. Thomas.

Milledgeville, Anderson J. Jarrell.

Baldwin, John W. Stipe.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

Eustace W. Speer, P. E.

Athens, Josiah Lewis, jr., Peter A. Heard, Sup.

{ Oconee Station, Charles J. Oliver.

{ Factory Mission, to be supplied.

Watkinsville, James V. M. Morris, John W. Knight.

Madison, Wesley P. Pledger.

Morgan, James L. Lupo.

Greensboro, George W. Yarbrough.

White Plains, James L. Pierce.

Lexington, William A. Simmons.

Winterville, William D. Heath.

Washington, Peter M. Ryburn.

Broad River, Ambrose G. Worley, Robert A. Seale, Sup.

Little River, Joshua M. Parker.

Eatonton, Boling H. Sasnett.

Putnam, William W. Oslin, James S. Embry.

ELBERTON DISTRICT.

Leonard Rush, P. E.

Elberton, Francis G. Hughes.

Bethlehem, John H. Grogan.

Elbert, William A. Fariss.

Lincolnton, George R. Park.

Jefferson, John R. Parker.

Mulberry, John H. Mashburn.

Carnesville, William T. Norman.

Franklin Springs Mission, to be supplied (by D. C. Oliver).

Homer, William F. Quillian.

Hartwell, John W. Baker.

Clarksville, Levi P. Neese.

Clayton Mission, to be supplied (by E. L. Stephens).

Toogalo Circuit and Currihee Mission, Samuel D. Evans.

DAHLONEGA DISTRICT.

William A. Dodge, P. E.

Dahlonega, George E. Gardner.
 Dawsonville, John R. Pate.
 Cumming, Noah H. Palmer.
 Alpharetta, Samuel J. Bellah.
 Canton, Benjamin E. Ledbetter.
 Cherokee, Joseph M. Hardin.
 Cleveland, Britton Sanders.
 Blairsville Mission, Marion H. Eakes.
 Gainsville Station, James H. Baxter.
 Hall, James G. Worley.
 Lawrenceville, Freeman F. Reynolds, Robert
 P. Martin.

ROME DISTRICT.

G. Jefferson Pearce, P. E.

Rome, Thomas F. Pierce.
 Coosa, Perry G. Reynolds.
 Forestville, William P. Rivers.
 Oostanaula, William P. Lovejoy.
 Cave Spring, John B. McFarland.
 Cedar Town, W. Fisk Glenn.
 Van Wert, to be supplied (by W. Conyers),
 Robert H. Jones.
 Subigna, Walter R. Branham, jr.
 Summerville, William C. Dunlap.
 Lafayette, Alexander Odom.
 McLemore's Cave, to be supplied (by S. W.
 McWhorter).

DALTON DISTRICT.

William J. Scott, P. E.

Dalton, William P. Kramer.
 Dalton Circuit, Sanford Leake.
 Tunnel Hill, John F. Richardson.
 Ringgold, Joseph P. Wardlaw.
 Rock Spring, David J. Weems.
 Spring Place, Wiley T. Hamilton.
 Murray Mission, T. J. Simmons.
 Calhoun, John H. Robeson.
 Tilton and Resaca, George C. Rankin.
 Kingston, John A. Reynolds.
 Ellijay, Milford G. Hamby.
 Jasper, to be supplied (by John N. Sullivan).

MARIETTA DISTRICT.

Francis A. Kimbell, P. E.

Marietta, George G. Smith.
 Acworth, James R. Mason.
 Roswell, John D. Hammond.
 Powder Springs, Eldridge K. Aiken.
 Dallas, Heyden C. Christian.
 Carrollton and Bowden, Joseph Chambers.
 Villa Rica, James N. Myers.
 Haralson Mission, to be supplied (by D. Strip-
 ling).
 Sand Town, to be supplied (by J. Green).
 Fairburn, Richard J. Harwell.
 Cartersville and Brandon, George R. Kramer,
 John T. Norris, Sup.
 Bartow, to be supplied.
 Marietta Female College, William A. Rogers,
 President.
 Sunday-school Agent, W. Frank Cook.

LAGRANGE DISTRICT.

Habersham J. Adams, P. E.

Lagrange, William M. Crumly.
 West Point, Alexander M. Thigpen.
 Newnan, Robert W. Bigham.
 Troup, William J. Cotter.
 Long Cane, Thomas H. Timmons.
 Whitesville, Theophilus S. L. Harwell.
 Greenville and Trinity, Thomas A. Seals, one
 to be supplied.
 Chalybeate Springs, Thomas H. Gibson.
 Grantville, Robert F. Jones.
 Hogansville, James T. Lowe.
 Senoia, Francis W. Baggerly.
 Palmetto, John M. Bowden.
 Franklin, to be supplied (by J. J. Little).
 Lagrange Female College, Morgan Callaway,
 President.
 Missionary to China, Young J. Allen.

ATLANTA DISTRICT.

Weyman H. Potter, P. E.

Atlanta:
 First Church, William P. Harrison.
 Trinity, Clement A. Evans.
 Evans's Chapel, James M. Dickey.
 Payne's Chapel and Peach-tree Street Mis-
 sion, Daniel D. Cox.
 St. Paul and Edgewood and St. John's Mis-
 sion, Geo. H. Pattillo, Geo. W. Hardaway.
 Atlanta Circuit, Benjamin J. Johnson.
 { Decatur, Francis B. Davis.
 { Stone Mountain, to be supplied (by W. H.
 Clark).
 Conyers, William J. Wardlaw.
 Covington and Mount Pleasant, Willard W.
 Wadsworth, Albert W. Rowland, Sup.
 Newton, Albert Gray.
 Sardis, Benson E. L. Timmons.
 Orford and Social Circle, Walter R. Branham,
 Alexander Means, Sup.
 { Monticello, Ebenezer G. Murrah.
 { Ocmulgee Mission, to be supplied (by J. W.
 Cook).
 Newbern, Miles W. Arnold.
 Monroe, Curtiss A. Connaway.
 Agent Orphan's Home, Jesse Boring.
 Agent American Bible Society, William A.
 Parks.
 Sunday-school Secretary, Attieus G. Haygood.

GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

Josiah Lewis, sr., P. E.

Griffin, John W. Heidt.
 { Zebulon, Joseph Carr.
 { Pike, James S. Bryan.
 Thomaston, Miller H. White.
 { Barnesville, William R. Foote.
 { County Line, William H. Graham.
 McDonough, John H. Harris.
 { Jonesboro, Robert R. Johnson.
 { Forest Station, Benjamin W. Williams.
 Fayetteville, David Nolan.
 Culloden, Cicero A. Mitchell.

Clinton and Jones Mission, Wesley G. Hanson,
David L. Anderson.
{ Jackson, Marshall F. Malsby.
{ Pleasant Hill, Josiah F. Holmes.
Forsyth, Daniel J. Myrick.
Forsyth Circuit, Joseph J. Singleton.

Arminius Wright, Arthur C. Davidson, transferred to South Georgia Conference.

R. A. Giddens, transferred to Holston Conference.

R. Stripling, transferred to North Alabama Conference.

8.—SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COLUMBUS, GA., *December 13-18, 1871.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; J. BLAKELY SMITH, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robert M. Lockwood, George C. Thompson, William J. Green, John Domin-
goes, J. Fletcher Mixon, Burril S. Key. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Adam A. Robinson, Robert L. Honiker,
Robert D. Gentry, Summerfield N. Tucker,
William A. Green, John B. Culppeper, John
W. Glenn. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

James K. Armstrong, James Skipper, Isaac
C. Rabun—at their own request. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

E. J. Burch, Wm. J. Boothe, J. S. Jordan. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

W. Watkin Hicks, Arminius Wright. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

William M. C. Conley, Daniel G. Pope, Julian S. Jordan. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Edwin J. Burch. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Edwin J. Burch. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Robert M. Lockwood, John T. McLaughlin,
W. N. Clemmens, J. Sloman Ashmore. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Robert M. Lockwood, John T. McLaughlin,
Robert Leslie, John T. Whitaker. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Henry J. Ellis. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Henry J. Ellis, John M. Potter. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Richard Cain, Stephen E. Bassett, Isaiah L. Avant, Constantine B. Anderson, Victor E. Manget, J. Fletcher Mixon. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Richard Cain, Stephen E. Bassett, Isaiah L. Avant, Victor E. Manget, J. Fletcher Mixon,
Anderson P. Payne, William T. Rea. 7.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Robt. F. Williamson, W. M. C. Conley. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Charles A. Moore, John H. Robinson, Wyatt Brooks, David Blalock, Jacob R. Owen, Henry P. Pitchford, William W. Griffin, Capel Ral-
ford, Thos. C. Coleman, F. R. C. Ellis, Young F. Tignor, James Dunwody, Reuben H. Lucky,
David Crenshaw, James Jones, William B. McHan, John W. Talley. 17.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

John M. Bonnell, John S. Ford. 2.

JOHN M. BONNELL was a native of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, but reared principally in the city of Philadelphia. He graduated at Jefferson College, in his native State, at about the age of eighteen, and, before he attained majority, came to Georgia. Here, with the exception of three or four years' absence from the State, he remained and labored as preacher of the gospel and teacher of youth, mainly as teacher of young ladies, till called from the toils of earth to the rest and rewards of heaven. He was reared religiously; trained up as a strict Presbyterian; yet "at one period of life he was perplexed with religious doubts, approximating absolute unbelief." But in 1842, among the Methodists at Greenville, Ga., "less by a process of theological reasoning" and investigation than by an exhibition of the power of the grace of God, his doubts were dispelled,

and soon after this, under the influence of a happy religious experience, he became an earnest Christian worker. In 1845, he was admitted into the Georgia Conference, and for a short while traveled; but his brethren were not long in recognizing his peculiar fitness for the vocation of a teacher, and to this field of labor he was assigned, and therein continued and labored with eminent success and usefulness the remainder of his life. At the time of his death he was and had been for eleven years the honored and efficient President of Wesleyan Female College, Macon, Ga. He died Saturday night, Sept. 30, 1871, the last day but one of the summer vacation. Many of the young ladies had returned to the College, and gathered around their much-loved President. Some guests were with him, and, in more than usual buoyancy of spirits, he had divided attention during the evening between his visitors and the young lady pupils. At 10 o'clock he conducted his venerable and venerated friend, Dr. Lovick Pierce, who was on a visit to the College, to his room, bidding him a cheerful and affectionate good night, repaired to his own room to retire to rest from the toils of the day and week, preparatory to the duties and privileges of the approaching Sabbath, when suddenly he was stricken down with disease of the heart, and at half-past 11 o'clock his pure spirit passed away, and he was numbered with the dead. The Sabbath dawned upon his lifeless remains—the soul had gone to endless rest. Dr. Bonnell possessed a clear intellect, highly cultivated. Broad and comprehensive was the scope of his intelligence, yet minute and accurate in the details of his information. He was of versatile talent, and might have become eminent in any department of science, art, or literature. He was one of the purest, gentlest, and best of men; deeply affectionate, eminently sweet-spirited, even-tempered, patient, affable, "with a charity that neither thought nor spoke evil of any." "As retiring from public notice as a woman, yet brave and most conscientious in uttering his convictions and discharging his duty. Of his personal religion he thought disparagingly, and spoke in abhorrence of his own innate sinfulness. To him sin was an enormity, not so much on account of its future retributions, as because it despoils the soul of purity and of conformity to the divine image, which he believed to be the privilege of every created intelligence. With a deep and abiding sense of the weakness and depravity of fallen nature, and fearing there might be evil latent in himself, only lacking temptation or opportunity to develop into wicked action, he clung with child-like simplicity to Christ and to his work, and in believing found strength, support, and comfort." One of his most intimate and confidential friends, in writing a notice of his death, says of him: "Of all men whom we have known amid the multiform trials of an active life, in which the care of many other persons devolved on him—a care naturally charged with many trials of his character—of

all such persons, we know of none who could as easily afford to die, if we may say so, without an hour to devote to self-examination and prayer, before he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, to be gathered to his people, as our departed brother, John Mitchell Bonnell."

JOHN S. FORD was born in Chester District, South Carolina, Feb. 6, 1790, and died in Macon, Ga., Nov. 9, 1871. Of this father in Israel and venerable man of God, much could be said, but we must content ourselves with the statement of a few facts, which we gather from a sketch of his life, written by himself. While an infant, he was consecrated to God, in baptism, by his mother, who was not, at that time, a Church member; and he testifies that the knowledge of this fact had upon him, in after years, a most salutary influence. When about thirteen years of age, he was the subject of strong religious impressions. He was overwhelmed by conviction of his sinfulness and peril. He mistook the sense of guilt for an evidence of his being one of the reprobates, and came near yielding to despair; but, unable to bear the intolerable burden that was upon his conscience, he cried to God to have mercy upon him, for Christ's sake, and God heard his cry, and the answer came in saving power, in converting grace, in peace past understanding, and joy unspeakable. In 1805, Brother Ford joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, under the ministry of the Rev. Jesse Richardson, who read the General Rules of the Church and announced that he would open the door of the Church that evening. Young Ford took the matter into serious consideration. His conscience indorsed the General Rules, his judgment indorsed the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he determined to cast in his lot with the Methodists. In his eighteenth year, he felt called to the "office and work of the ministry." For a long time he resisted this conviction, on the ground that he had neither natural nor acquired qualifications for the work. He yielded at last, and determined to obey what he believed to be the voice of God. On Nov. 3, 1809, he was licensed to preach, and recommended to the Annual Conference; he was admitted on trial, and appointed junior preacher on the Apalachee Circuit. Here his mental trials were very great. Within the bounds of the Circuit lived Hope Hull, Benjamin Blanton, and Josiah Randal, who had been giants in the itinerant ranks, and were still popular preachers. The circuit had been served by such men as Hilliard Judge, Russell, Tarpley, and Lovick Pierce. The boy-preacher felt utterly discouraged by a sense of inferiority, and determined to retire from the work. With this purpose he went to the first Quarterly Conference. A sermon from Dr. Pierce, the Presiding Elder, on the work of the ministry, completely revolutionized Brother Ford's purposes upon that subject, and he went from the Quarterly Conference to proclaim more dili-

gently and faithfully the gospel of the grace of God. He was greatly blessed in his work; during the year, he received into the Church over one hundred persons, one of whom afterward became a prominent member of the South Carolina Conference. The next year he was appointed to a circuit in what was then the Mississippi Territory, nearly five hundred miles from home. In order to reach this circuit, he had to travel upon horseback, and for three hundred miles through an unbroken wilderness, inhabited only by Indians. The journey was made safely. The circuit extended from the Tombigbee River, in what is now Alabama, to the Chickasaw River, in the State of Mississippi. The distance between the appointments was very great, the creeks and rivers without bridges, and, through the winter, very deep, and the roads only Indian trails through the forests. But the Master was with his servant, and gloriously rewarded him for his toil. In October, 1812, Brother Ford was appointed to Opelousas Mission. Here he had hard work. Popery prevailed, and the missionary had to endure much from the hatred of a population that despised his course. But a measure of success attended his labors, and a few precious souls were won to Christ. In 1813, he was appointed to the Pearl River Circuit, in Mississippi; in 1814, to the Tombigbee Circuit. In October, 1815, he was ordained deacon by Bishop Asbury, and appointed to a work in East Tennessee. In 1816, he was transferred to the South Carolina Conference, and appointed to Union Circuit. In January, of this year, he was married to Miss Jane F. McLuer, who, for more than forty years, was to him a wife indeed. Seven years after her death, he writes: "I have been a lonely wanderer ever since; she was the wife of my youth and the mother of my children, and my faithful companion for forty years; and through all those years, where she was, was my home; when she was satisfied, I was happy; when she was distressed, I was wretched. My heart's affections centered upon her; and when she was taken away, I was like a vessel loosed from its moorings, and tossed from wave to wave upon the ocean of life. Lord help me to be resigned, and patiently wait until my change come." In 1818, Brother Ford was ordained elder by Bishop Roberts, and appointed to the Black Mountain Circuit, North Carolina. This was his last work in the itinerancy for many years. Fearing that he would not be able to support his family in the itinerancy, he located—a thing by no means uncommon in those days—a step, however, which Brother Ford ever afterward deplored as a great mistake of his life. In his sixty-first year, Brother Ford applied for readmission into the Georgia Conference, and was received. He served several works faithfully, but the infirmities of age were coming on, his hearing was entirely gone, and, his brethren thinking it impossible for him to do efficient service, in 1837, gave him a superannuated relation to the Conference, which relation he sustained

until the day of his death. It is impossible for us to think of John S. Ford without feelings of the highest esteem and most profound veneration. He was a *hero*—a *Christian hero*. His heroism was manifested alike in his arduous labors, particularly those of his early ministry, and in his deep and sore afflictions and sufferings. Whether we contemplate him in his *active* or *passive* stages in life, he is alike grand. He *dared* to toil for his Master, knowing of whom he had received his "office and ministry;" he was courageous to suffer, knowing that though "no affliction for the present seemeth joyous, but grievous, afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness to them who are exercised thereby." In no one, perhaps, have the two elements of Christian character, *doing* and *suffering*, been so completely compounded as in our lamented father in Israel, Rev. John S. Ford. As a preacher, Brother Ford was plain, practical, impressive, and often powerful. He delighted in the doctrines of his Church, but especially in the doctrine of "Christ crucified"—*Christ crucified for all*. This was his favorite theme. Many, very many, are the seals to his ministry—some to glory gone, others following after. It was a source of deep regret to him in his latter years that he was unable to proclaim the good news of salvation. Though unable to preach himself, he would encourage other of his brethren in the work by taking his seat in the sanctuary whenever opportunity offered and health allowed. He said, "I cannot hear, but I can make one more, and thus encourage my brethren." He often rejoiced in the house of God, although he could not hear a word that was uttered. He employed much of his latter years in reading. He delighted to read about the Church—its past history, present operations, and prospects for the future; he read the *Advocates* of the Church; he was specially interested, the last two or three years of his life, in reading Stevens's "History of Methodism," and "History of the Methodist Episcopal Church," by the same author. In the latter he found some inaccuracies, which he took the liberty to correct, and turned the corrections over to a member of this Conference. The old man was declining—the hero approached the last battle; his sufferings greatly increased; his last weeks were weeks of intense suffering, but he was cared for with all the tenderness and love that it was possible for his dearest earthly friends to command. It was impossible to hold any communication with him during his last days; but why wish for dying testimony from one, the testimony of whose long life of unremitting toil and patient sufferings is so bright? He died as he had lived, *well*. His life was a triumph, and so was his death. Thus it ever is; the Christian hero's life is the truthful forecast of the Christian hero's death. Our hero has fallen, but he fell like his Master, for "he conquered when he fell." May the memory of his precious life of doing and suffering, his triumphs, death, and the hope of his eternal salvation,

encourage and strengthen the few of his coadjutors in early labors who survive him, and stimulate *all* of his successors to noble deeds of Christian faith and love!

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Savannah District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Savannah:			
Trinity.....	506	.....	5
Wesley Church and City Mission...	234	.....	1
Springfield.....	422	.....	3
Sylvania.....	450	.....	4
Bethel.....	109	.....	2
Alexander.....	420	.....	2
Waynesboro.....	353	.....	.....
Louisville.....	475	.....	4
Davisboro.....	361	.....	3
Sandersville.....	101	.....	3
Washington.....	250	.....	.....
Gibson.....	387	.....	4
	4068	.....	31

Macon District.

Macon:			
{ Mulberry Street and Vineville ...	374	.....	1
{ East Macon.....	92	.....	.....
{ First Street.....	359	.....	1
{ City Mission.....	111	.....	1
Macon Circuit.....	148	.....	.....
Gordon.....	90	.....	1
Irwinton.....	200	.....	1
Jeffersonville.....	220	.....	.....
Swift Creek Circuit.....	226	.....	2
{ Hawkinsville and Long Street	83	.....	1
{ Pulaski and Wilcox Mission.....	160	.....	1
Fort Valley and Marshallville.....	360	.....	6
Houston Circuit.....	327	.....	1
Beaver Dam Circuit.....	437	.....	6
Perry.....	165	.....	3
Hayneville.....	351	.....	4
Montezuma and Dooly Mission.....	562	.....	5
	4265	.....	34

Columbus District.

Columbus:			
St. Luke.....	525	.....	1
St. Paul.....	235	.....	1
Wesley Chapel.....	165	.....	.....
Muscogee.....	247	.....	.....
Hamilton.....	305	.....	4
Talbotton.....	198	.....	2
Talbot Circuit.....	480	.....	3
Geneva.....	440	.....	5
Butler.....	425	.....	5
Buena Vista.....	489	.....	6
Cusseta.....	343	.....	.....
Oglethorpe Circuit.....	295	.....	4
Girard and Asbury Chapel.....	112	.....	.....
	4259	.....	31

Americus District.

Americus.....	388	.....	3
Bethel.....	274	.....	4
Magnolia Springs.....	264	.....	2
Ellaville.....	300	.....	5
Smithville.....	263	.....	6
Cuthbert.....	212	.....	1

Americus District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Spring Vale.....	340	.....	1
Dawson and Georgetown.....	285	.....	2
Terrell.....	415	.....	6
Weston.....	431	.....	1
Lumpkin.....	164	.....	2
Stewart.....	259	.....	2
Florence.....	165	.....	3
	3760	.....	38

Bainbridge District.

{ Bainbridge.....	132	.....	1
{ Factory Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Decatur.....	168	.....	1
Trinity.....	140	.....	3
Colquitt.....	155	.....	.....
Fort Gaines and Blakely.....	165	.....	4
Morgan.....	171	.....	2
Camilla.....	248	.....	3
Cairo.....	240	.....	2
Grooversville.....	248	.....	.....
Duncanville.....	159	.....	1
Thomasville.....	180	.....	5
Albany.....	123	.....	.....
Flint River Mission.....	126	.....	2
	2255	.....	24

Brunswick District.

Brunswick and City Mission.....	151	.....	3
Buffalo Mission.....	21	.....	1
St. Mary's.....	48	.....	.....
Center Village.....	136	.....	2
Waynesville.....	203	.....	1
Wareboro.....	200	.....	6
Jessup.....	194	.....	.....
Holmesville.....	237	.....	3
Ocmulgee.....	181	.....	1
Nashville and Allapaha Mission.....	282	.....	3
Stockton.....	306	.....	2
Valdosta.....	267	.....	2
Quitman.....	155	.....	.....
{ Morven.....	265	.....	2
{ Moultrie.....	104	.....	4
	2750	.....	30

Altamaha District.

Hinesville.....	380	.....	8
Darien and McIntosh.....	110	.....	.....
Bryan Mission.....	35	.....	.....
Scarboro.....	149	.....	2
Dublin.....	80	.....	.....
Wrightsville.....	250	.....	6
County Line.....	211	.....	2
Swainsboro.....	416	.....	3
Jacksonville.....	347	.....	3
Oconee.....	380	.....	.....
Cochran Mission.....	157	.....	1
Altamaha Mission.....	290	.....	1
Reidsville.....	290	.....	1
	3095	.....	27

Recapitulation.

Savannah District.....	4068	.....	31
Macon.....	4265	.....	34
Columbus.....	4259	.....	31
Americus.....	3760	.....	38
Bainbridge.....	2255	.....	24
Brunswick.....	2750	.....	30
Altamaha.....	3095	.....	27
Total this year.....	24,452	.....	215
Total last year.....	23,147	653	216
Increase.....	1,305	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	653	1

[The colored members have joined the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
719.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1724.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
276.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1742.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
11,558.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$9960.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$5031 08.
Paid to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$6198 15.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Thomasville, Ga.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

James O. A. Clark, P. E.

Savannah:

Trinity, James E. Evans.

Wesley Church and City Mission, George G. N. MacDonell.

Springfield, Thomas B. Lanier.

Mizpah, John J. Morgan.

Sylvania, William T. McMichael.

Bethel, to be supplied (by Robert W. Lovett).

Alexander, James A. Rosser.

Waynesboro, Newdaygate B. Ousley.

Louisville, Carolin C. Hines.

Sandersville and Davisboro, William S. Baker.

Washington, John B. Culpepper.

Gibson, Summerfield N. Tucker, John Domingoes.

MACON DISTRICT.

James W. Hinton, P. E.

Macon:

Mulberry and Vineville, James O. Branch.

East Macon and Swift Creek, J. W. Burke.

{ First Street, W. Watkin Hicks.

{ City Mission, to be supplied (by R. Cain).

Macon Circuit, Julian S. Jordan.

Gordon, William J. Green.

Irwinton, to be supplied (by F. Flanders).

{ Jeffersonville, Robert F. Evans.

{ Twiggs, to be supplied (by William Griffin).

Fort Valley and Marshallville, F. A. Branch.

Beaver Dam, William W. Tidwell.

Perry, Alvin J. Dean.

Hayneville, Edward A. H. McGehee.

Montezuma and Providence, to be supplied.

Emory College, Osborne L. Smith, President;

Isaac T. Hopkins, Professor.

Wesleyan Female College, Edward H. Myers,

President; Cosby W. Smith, W. C. Bass,

Professors.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

Thomas T. Christian, P. E.

Columbus:

St. Luke, Joseph S. Key.

{ St. Paul, Arminius Wright.

{ Wesley Chapel, William M. D. Bond.

Girard and Asbury Chapel, to be supplied (by Joseph E. Tooke).

Muscogee, to be supplied.

Hamilton, William F. Robison.

Talbotton, Robert W. Dixon.

Talbot, David R. McWilliams, R. L. Honiker.

{ Geneva, Shelton R. Weaver.

{ Juniper Mission, William A. Green.

Butler, Jesse R. Littlejohn.

Buena Vista, William W. Stewart.

Cusseta, Stephen D. Clements.

Oglethorpe, George S. Johnson.

Conference Missionary Agent, Lovick Pierce.

Levert College, Henry D. Moore, President.

AMERICUS DISTRICT.

J. Blakely Smith, P. E.

Americus, Alexander M. Wynn.

Bethel, James Harris.

Magnolia Springs, John M. Marshall.

Ellaville, Churchwell A. Crowell, Robert F.

Williamson, Sup.

Smithville and Mission, Dennis O'Driscoll.

{ Cuthbert, Benjamin F. Breedlove.

{ St. Paul and Miller's Chapel, Benjamin J. Baldwin.

Georgetown, to be supplied.

Spring Vale, Norman D. Morehouse.

Dawson, George C. Clarke.

Terrell, George T. Embry.

Weston, Edward J. Rentz.

Lumpkin, James M. Austin.

{ Stewart, John B. Wardlaw.

{ Florence, to be supplied.

Andrew Female College, John B. McGehee, President.

Orphans' Home, Samuel Anthony, Agent.

BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT.

Robert B. Lester, P. E.

Bainbridge, Walter Knox.

Decatur, J. Fletcher Mixon.

Trinity, George C. Thompson.

Colquitt, Wm. F. Roberts, John M. Potter.

Fort Gaines and Blakely, William M. Hayes.

Morgan, James D. Mauldin.

Camilla, James T. Ainsworth.

Cairo, Philemon C. Harris.

Grooversville, Robert H. Howren.

Duncanville, Leonard C. Peek.

Thomasville, Charles R. Jewett.

Albany and Mission, Robert J. Corley.

HAWKINSVILLE DISTRICT.

John E. Sentell, P. E.

Hawkinsville, Robert M. Lockwood.
 Cochran Mission, Lowndes A. Darsey.
 Pulaski and Wilcox Mission, to be supplied
 (by W. D. Bussey).
 Vienna, James Spence.
 Dooly Mission, to be supplied (by Wm. N.
 Clemons).
 Flint River Mission, to be supplied (by Wm.
 M. Russell).
 Moultrie, to be supplied (by Wm. M. Buton).
 Nashville, Jesse J. Giles.
 Allapaha Mission, Burrell S. Key.
 Ocmulgee, Wesley Lane.

BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

Lewis B. Payne, P. E.

Brunswick and City Mission, Jas. O. A. Cook.
 St. Mary's, Herbert P. Myers.
 Center Village, William H. Thomas.
 Waynesville, John L. Williams.
 Waresboro, Thomas S. Armstead.
 Jessup, William M. Watts.
 Holmesville, to be supplied (by J. Ware).

Stockton, Seaborn G. Childs.
 Valdosta, William M. Kennedy.
 Quitman, Stephen S. Sweet.
 Morven, Alexander P. Wright.

HINESVILLE DISTRICT.

John W. Simmons, P. E.

Hinesville, William G. Boothe.
 Bryan Mission, Wm. M. C. Conley, Sup.
 Darien and McIntosh, Edwin J. Burch.
 Scarboro, John W. Glenn.
 Dublin, Henry J. Ellis.
 Wrightsville, to be supplied (by W. T. Rea).
 County Line, to be supplied.
 Swainsboro, Charles J. Toole.
 Jacksonville, Henry C. Fentress.
 Oconee, Robert D. Gentry.
 Altamaha Mission, William F. Conley.
 Reidsville, Daniel G. Pope.

Charles A. Fulwood and Adam A. Robinson
 transferred to Florida Conference.

Marcus A. McKibbin transferred to South
 Carolina Conference.

Charles E. Brown and Robert W. Flournoy
 transferred to Arkansas Conference.

9.—FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MADISON, FLA., *January 3-7, 1872.*BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; U. SINCLAIR BIRD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Henry E. Partridge. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

David W. Cole, S. S. Moore, R. M. Ellzey. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

J. W. Barnett, E. J. Crumb. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

T. W. Tomkies, S. E. Phillips, U. S. Bird, R. H. Barnett. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

W. C. Fullwood, A. A. Robinson, W. R. Johnson. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

George C. Leavel. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

R. H. Barnett. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

R. H. Barnett. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

G. H. Wyatt, E. Glazier. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

H. Cheshire. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

T. W. Tomkies. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

T. W. Tomkies. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

C. P. Murdock. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

G. W. Fagg, A. Johnson, J. Penny, S. W. Carson. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

J. C. Ley, A. Johnson. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

A. J. Woldridge, T. Taylor. 2.

ANDREW J. WOLDRIDGE was born in Franklin, Tenn., June 3, 1836. In his youth he gave his heart to God, and became a member of the M. E. Church, South. In the spring of 1855 he graduated as a physician at the University of Nashville. In October of the same year he was admitted on trial into the Tennessee Conference. In December, 1860, having then received elder's orders, he was transferred to the Florida Conference, of which he continued a faithful and influential member till called to his reward. He filled several of the most important charges in this Conference with great usefulness, winning all hearts by the amiable gentleness of his deportment, and, by the purity of his own life, commending the truth to every man's conscience. He was an intelligent theologian, an effective preacher, a holy, spiritual man. In 1870 and 1871 he was Presiding Elder of the Tallahassee District. Early last year his health failed. His disease was pulmonary consumption. Slowly and painfully his life waned. In addition to his physical sufferings, the prospect of leaving his beloved wife and two little children in loneliness and poverty laid its heavy burden on his heart. But he had learned to suffer as well as to do the will of God. His patient cheerfulness never abated; his triumphant faith never wavered; and on October 3, 1871, full of unutterable peace and heavenly joy, he departed to his eternal rest.

THOMAS TAYLOR, a member of this Conference, on the supernumerary list, departed this life in October last. We do not know the date of his birth; but his age, when he died, must have been more than three-score and ten years. He was a member on trial of the Florida Conference at its organization, and was afterward admitted into full connection, and received deacon's and elder's orders. He was a good man, loving God and the Church, and rendered valuable service to the cause of Christ. His end was peace.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Tallahassee District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee	131	.....	1
Monticello	133	.....	.....
Appalachicola.....	91	.....	1
Quincy.....	80	.....	.....
Leon Circuit.....	160	.....	.....
Waukenah Circuit	275	.....	5

Tallahassee District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Bethel Circuit.....	103	.....	1
Gadsden Circuit.....	155	.....	1
Little River Circuit	250	.....	3
Crawfordville Circuit.....	303	.....	2
Liberty Circuit.....	202	.....	1
	1883	.....	15

Live Oak District.

Live Oak Circuit.....	210	7
Welborn Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Union Circuit.....	305	6	3
Madison Circuit.....	463	.....	2
Hamilton Circuit.....	230	.....	2
Taylor and Lafayette Mission.....	390	.....	5
Lake City	81	.....	2
Columbia Circuit.....	386	.....	4
Lake Butler Circuit.....	118	.....	3
Newnansville Circuit.....	203	1	1
Fernandina Circuit.....	35	.....	1
Nassau Mission.....	78	.....	.....
	2499	7	30

Jacksonville District.

Jacksonville:			
First Charge	117	.....	1
Second Charge.....	37	.....	.....
St. John's Circuit	70	.....	2
Volusia Mission	125	.....	.....
Orange Circuit.....	125	.....	.....
Sumter Circuit.....	241	.....	2
Ocala	117	.....	1
Withlacoochie Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Oclawhahee Circuit.....	180	.....	1
Gainesville Circuit.....	71	.....	1
Bronson Circuit.....	175	.....	.....
Micanopy Circuit.....	198	.....	2
Middleberg	123	.....	2
	1579	.....	12

Tampa District.

Tampa.....	80	1
Clear Water and Alafia Circuit.....	299	.....	7
Brooksville Circuit	189	.....	2
Brevard Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Bartow Circuit.....	151	.....	3
Pease Creek Mission.....	125	.....	.....
Manatee	47	.....	3
Key West:			
First Charge.....	110	.....	1
Second Charge.....	104	.....	.....
Seminole Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
	1105	.....	17

Recapitulation.

Tallahassee District.....	1883	.....	15
Live Oak	2499	7	30
Jacksonville	1579	.....	12
Tampa	1105	.....	17
Total this year.....	7066	7	74
Total last year.....	7062	54	78
Increase.....	4	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	47	4

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

441.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

314.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

87.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

449.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

2479.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$2360.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$846 45.

Distributed among the different claimants in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$914 64.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Fernandina, Fla.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.

J. A. Wiggins, P. E.

Tallahassee, J. Anderson.

Leon Circuit, W. E. Collier.

Crawfordville Circuit, S. A. McCook.

Bethel Circuit, to be supplied.

Liberty Circuit, D. W. Core.

Gadsden Circuit, L. G. R. Wiggins, G. W. Fagg, Sup.

Little River Circuit, S. Woodberry.

Quincy, H. E. Partridge.

Monticello, E. L. T. Blake.

Madison, W. R. Johnson.

Madison Circuit, J. M. Stokes.

Waukeenah Circuit, J. J. Seally.

Union Circuit, E. J. Knight.

Taylor and Lafayette Circuit, J. Rast.

Appalachicola, E. B. Duncan.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

J. P. DePass, P. E.

Jacksonville:

First Charge, T. W. Moore.

Second Charge, F. Pasco.

Fernandina, T. W. Tomkies.

Lake Butler Circuit, T. R. Barnett.

Newnansville Circuit, S. E. Phillips.

Columbia, T. K. Leonard.

Lake City, U. S. Bird.

Live Oak Circuit, to be supplied (by J. E. Dodd).

Hamilton Circuit, to be supplied (by S. Davenport).

Micanopy Circuit, S. Gardner, R. H. Barnett.

Brunson Circuit, R. M. Ellzey, J. Penny, Sup.

St. John's Circuit, E. S. Tyner.

Middleberg Circuit, to be supplied (by W. Peeler).

Nassau, W. Williams.

Key West:

First Charge, C. A. Fulwood.

Second Charge, A. A. Robinson.

TAMPA DISTRICT.

E. H. Giles, P. E.

Tampa and Manatee, E. F. Gates.

Alafia Circuit, I. Mundry.

Bartow Circuit, W. Davies, S. W. Carson, Sup.

Pease Creek, to be supplied (by — McQueen).

Branchville, to be supplied (by W. Carlton).

Fort Myers Circuit, W. C. Jordan.

Clear Water Circuit, G. C. Leavel.

Brooksville, to be supplied (by A. Nicholson).

Sumter Circuit, S. S. Moore.

Orange Circuit, to be supplied (by R. M. Reeves).

Ocala Circuit, W. K. Turner.

Oclawhahce Circuit, O. Eady.

R. M. Tydings, transferred to Arkansas Conference.

R. L. Wiggins, transferred to South Georgia Conference.

W. M. Jerdone, transferred to Virginia Conference.

10.—ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MOBILE, ALA., Nov. 29—Dec. 4, 1871.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; B. B. ROSS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John A. Peterson, Wm. S. Wade, Joseph Spear, William H. Weatherby. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. M. Mason, P. B. Saffold, J. M. Brown, D. C. Stanley, C. M. Golland. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Wm. M. Winn, Robert H. Harris, Jer. S. Williams, A. Stacey Douglas, I. Z. T. Harris, Wilbur F. Norton, Chas. B. DuBose, Clarence J. Nugent. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Wm. A. Montgomery. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Gabriel Hawkins, Thomas O. Summers, jr. (on trial, from the Tennessee Conference), W. H. Rogers. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

W. H. Morris, D. J. Wright. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Jer. S. Williams, A. Stacey Douglas, I. Z. T. Morris, Chas. B. DuBose, Clarence J. Nugent. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

A. Stacey Douglas, C. J. Nugent, Isaac Z. T. Morris, Chas. B. DuBose, Jer. S. Williams, Thomas O. Summers, jr. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

James M. Crews, V. K. Williams, Basil D. Nalley. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Jordan Spivey, a deacon in the M. E. Church, North, was recognized as a deacon in the M. E. Church, South.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William M. Winn, Hugh M. Gillis. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Wm. M. Winn, Hugh M. Gillis. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Pleasant L. Martin, Nubal A. Moore. 2.

William J. Hilliard, an elder in the Methodist Protestant Church, was recognized as an elder in the M. E. Church, South.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

N. A. Moore, L. A. Jones, P. O. Harper, P. L. Martin. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Charles C. Ellis. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

J. G. Rush, O. R. Blue, J. A. Wethers, Wm. Henry Morris, T. J. Rutledge, J. H. Lockhart, P. R. McCrary. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Z. Dowling, S. F. Pilley, E. W. Storey, J. M. Jennings, C. D. Nicholson, J. T. Talley, I. I. Tatum, G. Garrett, Chas. Strider, W. Murrah, M. C. Turrentine, J. W. Jordan, John A. Spence. 13.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

John Phillips Dickinson. 1.

JOHN PHILLIPS DICKINSON was born in Moore county, North Carolina, March 17, 1802, joined the M. E. Church in 1819, filled the varied relations of life with fidelity, and

died July 30, 1871. In the field of his Master he labored over half a century as an exhorter, local, and itinerant preacher. The following summary will perpetuate the facts and dates of his labors: Licensed to exhort in 1820, to preach in 1824; ordained deacon December 13, 1831, elder Dec. 13, 1836; admitted on trial in the Georgia Conference in 1835, filling the following appointments: 1835, Cumming Mission; 1836, Eatonton; 1837, Clinton; 1838-9, Forsythe; 1840-41, Perry; 1842, Hamilton; 1843-4, Harris and Talbot; 1845-6, Greenville; 1847, Troup; 1848-9, Muscogee; 1850, Talbot; 1851, Talbot; 1852-3, Thomaston; 1854, Harris Colored Mission; 1855, superannuated; 1856, Whitesville; 1857, superannuated. At the close of 1857, transferred to the Alabama Conference, and served the Church, 1858-9, in Lafayette; 1860-1, Crawford; 1862-3, Troy and Orion; 1864, Brundige; 1865, Union; 1866-8, Villula; at the end of which time he was granted a superannuated relation, which he maintained until his death. These dry names and figures make up the outlines of his ministry; the details are on high; but, unsatisfactory and dull as these outlines are, they speak volumes, stretching over fifty-one years of labor for souls and Christ. His death resulted from paralysis, and, being in an unconscious state, he gave none of those last sacred utterances which we are prone to cherish. But in his long life of toil we have a more solid basis of hope than the most articulate expressions could possibly give.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Eufaula District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Choctawhatchie Circuit	289	.....	.....
Chanahatchie	228	.....	3
Eufaula.....	253	.....	2
Clayton and Louisville.....	130	.....	1
Perote Circuit.....	441	.....	3
Providence and Springhill	102	.....	1
Glennville.....	104	.....	2
Lawrenceville.....	294	9	.....
Enon and Midway.....	250	.....	3
	2091	9	15

Selma District.

Selma.....	396	.....	1
Uniontown.....	141	.....	.....
Marion Junction	32	75	.....
Springhill.....	112	.....	.....
Lower Peach-tree.....	326	.....	.....
Suggsville.....	93	.....	.....
Choctaw Corner.....	330	.....	3
Rembert Hill.....	211	.....	2
Orville.....	207	.....	2
Jackson.....	270	8	.....
	2118	83	8

Mobile District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mobile:			
Franklin Street.....	329		
St. Francis Street.....	262		
St. Paul's Station.....	230		
Eastern Shore.....	41		
Milton.....	76	1	
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	193	2	
Pensacola Station.....	88	1	
Citronelle Circuit.....	183		
Pollard Circuit.....	273	4	
Whistler.....	161	1	
Cottage Hill.....	100	4	
St. Stephen's.....	230		
	2204		13

Montgomery District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Montgomery.....	436		1
Herron Street.....	94		1
Tuskegee.....	243	4	
Elmore Circuit.....	562	5	
Opelika.....	348	5	
Tuskegee Circuit.....	429	6	
Mt. Meigs and Loachapoka.....	139	2	
Hurtville and Silver Run.....	215	1	
Euphatipa.....	90		
Salem.....	470	4	
Arbun.....	262	2	
Wetumpka.....	81	1	
Crawford.....	339	4	
Notasulga Circuit.....	471	7	
Tallassee.....	70		
	4249		43

Greensboro District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marion.....	120		
Autauga Circuit.....	455	3	3
Randolph Circuit.....	302		1
Autaugaville and Ivy Creek.....	213		
Newbern.....	47		
Brush Creek.....	510		
Havana.....	406	2	
Summerfield.....	167		1
Prattville.....	154		1
Mount Carmel Circuit.....	42		
Perryville.....	269	2	
Greensboro.....	159	3	
	2904	3	13

Union Springs District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Brundige.....	262		7
Union.....	260		3
Troy.....	392		3
Fort Deposit.....	161		
Pine Level.....	295		2
Greenville.....	171		1
Rutledge.....	547	6	4
Union Springs.....	133	6	1
Rocky Mount.....	515	115	4
Elba Mission.....	267		4
Sandy Ridge.....	328	12	2
	3331	139	31

Demopolis District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Eutaw.....	82		
Butler Circuit.....	375		2
Livingston.....	69		1
Greene Circuit.....	241		2
Belmont Circuit.....	165		2
Gainesville Circuit.....	126		
Forkland Circuit.....	70		
Gaston Circuit.....	402		
Demopolis.....	88		
Bladen Springs.....	415		4
	1973		11

Marianna District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Ozark Circuit.....	506	90	2
Cerro Gordo Mission.....	162		2
Geneva Circuit.....	385	25	9
Holmes Valley.....	265	3	2
Marianna.....	71		
Calhoun Circuit.....	160		5
Sylvan Grove Circuit.....	697		5
Gordon Circuit.....	198		4
Greenwood Circuit.....	246		2
	2684	118	31

Camden District.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Camden.....	56		
Lowndesboro and Haynesville.....	81		
Pineville Circuit.....	90		1
Evergreen.....	241		4
Snow Hill.....	172		1
Sepulga.....	618		9
South Butler Circuit.....	317		1
Black's Bend.....	258		2
Oak Hill.....	230		4
Monroeville.....	360	12	3
Farmersville Circuit.....	223		
	2646	12	25

Recapitulation.

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Enfaula District.....	2091	9	15
Selma.....	2118	83	8
Mobile.....	2204		13
Montgomery.....	4249		43
Greensboro.....	2904	3	13
Union Springs.....	3331	139	31
Demopolis.....	1973		11
Marianna.....	2684	118	31
Camden.....	2646	12	25
Total this year.....	24,200	364	190
Total last year.....	23,564	762	208
Increase.....	636		
Decrease.....		388	18

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

1102.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1615.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

275.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

1764.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

12,090.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$8000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$5407 70.

Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed to Missions?

\$4701 40.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Eufaula, Ala.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MOBILE DISTRICT.

H. Urquhart, P. E.

Mobile:

Franklin Street, J. W. Rush.

Suburban Circuit, J. J. Grace.

St. Francis Street, W. Shapard.

St. Paul's, J. E. Foust.

Grand Bay Mission, W. H. Weatherby.

Whistler, A. J. Coleman.

Citronelle, J. A. Peterson.

St. Stephen's and Washington Mission, R. F.

Perdue, J. G. Rush, Sup.

Eastern Shore, to be supplied.

Pensacola, T. C. M. Golland.

Milton, W. B. Dennis.

Pollard, E. M. Turner.

Mt. Pleasant, to be supplied (by P. L. Martin).

DEMOPOLIS DISTRICT.

S. H. Cox, P. E.

Demopolis, R. B. Crawford.

Livingston, J. M. Mason.

Belmont, J. M. Patton.

Gaston, C. B. DuBose.

Cuba, to be supplied.

Butler, F. Walker.

Bladen Springs, W. I. Powers.

Forkland, W. S. Turner.

Gainesville, A. Hood.

Greene, J. W. McCann.

Eutaw, R. M. Powers.

SELMA DISTRICT.

A. J. Briggs, P. E.

Selma, M. S. Andrews, P. R. McCrary, Sup.

East Selma, W. H. McDaniel.

Uniontown, T. F. Mangum.

Dayton and Springhill, J. Marshall Brown.

Linden and Flatwoods Mission, T. S. Abernathy.

Orrville, J. F. Evans.

Rembert Hills, C. W. Calhoun.

Choctaw Corner, Geo. F. Ellis.

Lower Peach-tree, Jno. A. Pace.

Suggsville, S. M. Thames.

Jackson, W. S. Wade.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

A. H. Mitchell, P. E.

Greensboro, A. S. Andrews.

Newbern and Hamburg, W. A. Montgomery.

Marion, J. Bancroft.

Havana, G. Hawkins.

Brush Creek, W. M. Winn.

Summerfield, R. H. Harris.

Autaugaville and Ivy Creek, W. A. Edwards.

Robinson Springs and Clanton Mission, J. T. Roper.

Plantersville, B. F. Blow.

Prattville, R. S. Woodward.

Randolph, B. D. Gayle.

Perryville, J. W. Vest.

Pinetucky Mission, G. R. Talley.

Editor of Books and *Christian Advocate*, Nashville, T. O. Summers, sr.

Southern University, A. S. Andrews, President; J. S. Moore and T. O. Summers, jr., Professors.

Centenary Female College, A. D. McVoy, President.

MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.

Wm. A. McCarty, P. E.

Montgomery, E. Wadsworth.

Herron Street, I. Z. T. Morris.

Loachapoka and Mount Meigs, B. B. Ross.

Tuskegee, E. S. Smith.

Tuskegee Circuit, I. Spangler, J. A. Wethers, Sup.

Tallassee Mission, M. C. Turrentine.

Elmore, R. H. Rogers.

Notasulga, L. F. Dowdell.

Auburn, E. L. Loveless.

Opelika, W. M. Motley, T. J. Rutledge, Sup.

Salem, W. B. Neal, J. H. Lockhart, Sup.

Crawford, W. W. Graham.

Hurtville and Silver Run, J. S. Williams.

Wetumpka, A. M. Jones.

East Alabama College, B. B. Ross, President.

Opelika High School, E. D. Pitts.

EUFAULA DISTRICT.

J. M. Cotten, P. E.

Eufaula, E. M. Bounds.

Glennville, E. V. Levert.

Villula, J. W. Solomon.

Beulah, W. K. Norton.

Enon and Midway, W. H. Wild.

Perote, L. Patterson.

Clayton and Louisville, F. L. B. Shaver.

Choctawhatchie, to be supplied.

Pea River Mission, to be supplied.

Lawrenceville, J. Scaife.

Chanahatchie, W. H. Morris.

MARIANNA DISTRICT.

A. Dowling, P. E.

Marianna, A. S. Douglas.

Greenwood, J. J. Cassady.

Holmes Valley, J. Spear.

Calhoun Mission, to be supplied.

Gordon, W. P. H. Connerly.

Sylvan Grove, H. M. Gillis.

Geneva, Jno. M. Brown.

Big Creek, D. C. Stanley.

Cerro Gordo Mission, to be supplied.

Ozark, A. S. Dickinson.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

D. M. Hudson, P. E.

Camden, B. P. Saffold.

Black's Bend, D. J. Wright.

Pineville, N. Gillis.

Oak Hill, J. M. Johnson.

Snow Hill, T. K. Armstrong.
 Farmersville, J. M. Scott, one to be supplied.
 Lowndesboro, Haynesville, and Union, M. E. Butt.
 Sepulga, J. L. Skipper.
 South Butler, H. J. Hunter.
 Monroeville and Mission, R. Smiley, one to be supplied.
 Evergreen Mission, W. G. Perry.
 Lowndesboro Institute, S. A. Pilley.

UNION SPRINGS DISTRICT.

J. W. Shores, P. E.

Union Springs, W. H. Ellison.
 Union, M. M. Graham.
 Pine Level, W. F. Norton.
 Olustee, W. A. Sampey.

Rocky Mount, R. E. Carey.
 Fort Deposit, E. Phillips.
 Greenville, J. Barker.
 Greenville Circuit, B. L. Selman.
 Rutledge, D. C. Crook.
 Troy and Brundige, J. W. Glenn.
 Troy Circuit, W. B. Adams.
 Brundige Mission, to be supplied (by J. C. Avert).
 Elba, W. C. Robinson.
 Agent of American Bible Society, S. P. Richardson.

S. H. Cooper, transferred to Louisiana Conference.

C. J. Nugent, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

J. Hamilton, appointed to Tuscaloosa.

II.—NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FLORENCE, ALA., Nov. 15-20, 1871.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; J. G. WILSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Geo. W. Hamilton, Jno. G. Gibson, F. C. Stephenson, J. B. Perkins, Reuben J. Wilson, Green B. Wilson, Z. Parker, jr., M. B. Johnston, E. W. Jones, Jas. M. Cochran, Jno. B. Cole, Moses L. White. 12.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thos. G. Whitten, Wm. T. Andrews, Robt. G. Ragan, Jas. Cox, Jno. C. Hunkapillar, W. H. Armstrong, W. T. Patillo, M. G. Foust, John H. Tucker, Jno. W. Newman, B. F. Larrabee, Robt. T. Blackwell, W. C. McCoy, I. Q. Melton, P. E. Nicholson, Jas. H. Cameron, Robt. F. Mountain. 17.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Benj. Vaughn (at his own request, because of failing health). 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Leander F. Whitten, Geo. R. Lynch, Cornelius M. Livingston, Dempsey W. Ward, Virgil O. Hawkins. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Jas. M. Wright, A. G. Copeland, Dawson Phelps, Crockett Godby, Jephthah F. Randall, Z. Parker, sr. 6.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

J. C. Mials (from Tennessee Conference), R. H. Rogers (from Tennessee Conference), R. Stripline (from North Georgia Conference), C. L. Dobbs (from Alabama Conference). 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

W. McQueen, R. T. Moore, R. W. Coons, Jas. E. Andrews, Wm. R. Williams, Hardie Brown, C. W. Smith. 7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Thos. G. Whitten, C. M. Livingston, V. O. Hawkins, L. F. Whitten, Geo. R. Lynch, D. W. Ward, I. Q. Melton. 7.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Geo. R. Lynch, L. F. Whitten, Thos. G. Whitten, Isaac Q. Melton, Dempsey W. Ward, C. M. Livingston, Virgil O. Hawkins. 7.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Wm. B. Taylor, Jno. G. Gibson, Robt. Moore, Jno. P. M. Woodall, Jas. H. Meadows, Thos. B. Parks, C. L. Kirksey, Simon P. Garrison, Wm. C. Beaver, Wm. R. Rainey, Jas. Webster, James H. White, Mark A. Pearce. 13.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Jas. H. Meadows, Mark A. Pearce, James Webster, Wm. B. Taylor, Simon P. Garrison, Wm. C. Beaver, Jno. G. Gibson. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

H. L. Booth, Benj. F. Lea, J. H. Anderson, Benj. J. Gaston. 4.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Henry L. Booth, Benj. J. Gaston, Jno. H. Anderson, Benj. F. Lea. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Reuben S. Price, Jesse D. Carter, James M. Barnes, H. H. Thompson. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Reuben S. Price, Absalom S. Davis, Joseph C. Wallace. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

D. M. Booth, Wm. S. Harwell, J. A. Barber, L. Hensley Grubbs. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

C. W. Smith, E. B. McLellan, J. G. Walker. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Theophilus Moody, Geo. J. Mason, W. Rhodes, E. McMeans, Julius N. Glover, Jas. M. Towles, Uriah Williams. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

E. C. Odom, Jno. B. Powers. 2.

JOHN B. POWERS was born May 16, 1814, in Union District, South Carolina, and died near Monticello, Ala., March 30, 1871. In preparing this memorial of him, we are largely indebted to the Rev. J. W. Rush, of Alabama Conference. Brother Powers removed to Alabama at the age of nineteen, and shortly afterward was converted to God. Very soon after this he felt it to be his duty to preach the gospel, but hesitated on account of a native modesty and the want of education. He filled, however, the offices of steward, class-leader, and exhorter on the circuit, and in the discharge of these duties was slowly led into the clear conviction of his duty. He hesitated no longer, and in 1845 or 1846, while residing in Talladega county, received license to preach. After some years' labor as a local preacher, he was elected to orders, and ordained a deacon in 1856. At this time he was admitted into the Alabama Conference on trial, and appointed to the Weewokaville Circuit. He filled successively the Harpersville and the Moscow Circuits. In 1861 he entered the Confederate army in command of a company. His health failed, however, and he returned. In 1863-4-5, and 6, he was Presiding Elder of the Jasper District. His administration was successful. In 1867 he served the Elyton Circuit; 1868 and 9, the Murfree's Valley Circuit; 1870, the Jonesboro Circuit. In 1871 he was appointed to the Monticello Circuit, but died early in the spring. Brother Powers was a man of deep convictions. He was a practical man, an earnest man, an energetic man. He was a conscientious man, a pious man. He was a well-balanced man, he was a brave man. His administration as Presiding Elder was marked by promptness and great faithfulness in the discharge of all the duties pertaining to his office. His broad common sense, and acquaintance with men, gave him wisdom in council. As a

preacher, he was sometimes moving in his appeals to the emotions. Being a man of warm sensibilities himself, he had influence over the sensibilities of others. Concerning his last hours, we quote from Brother Rush's obituary notice: "His last sickness was protracted and painful, but he endured it with fortitude and resignation. He never once murmured, but was cheerful, and even humorous at times, though he felt it would prove his last illness. He met death with great calmness, saying to one who, but a few days before he died, was talking to him on the subject, 'Sir, I am not dreading the future, nor thinking much about it; I attended to that long ago; I have lived for years with reference to death, and now have no dread of it whatever. If it was God's will, I would like to live a few years longer, on account of my wife and little boys; but he knows best, and I leave it all with him.' He had his friends to sing the songs of Zion to him, and talked with them much of heaven. He retained his reason clear to the last, and died triumphing over the enemy. When they saw he was going rapidly away from the shore, Rev. M. G. Foust asked him if the way was clear, to which he replied, 'All right.' These were his last words, intelligently, distinctly, triumphantly spoken. In the same corner of the same room where he died, the spirit of the venerable patriarch, Rev. Jno. Foust, was a few years ago released from his burdens and cares, and went up to enter into the joy of his Lord. There our dear Brother Powers has gone to meet him."

E. CAPLES ODOM was not with us long enough to win many personal friends, yet of those who did know him, and among those whom he served, he has some warm, admiring friends, who loved him in life, and delight now to do honor to his memory. Brother Odom was born July 29, 1834. Having lost his father early in life, his mother, with him and an elder daughter, removed to Autaugaville, Ala. His mother and sister were members of the Methodist Protestant Church, and in that Church he was reared. From a boy, under the influence of pious training and example, he gave his heart and life to Christ. As he began to develop into manhood, his thirst for knowledge, and often-expressed convictions of his duty to preach, induced his friends to send him to school in order to prepare him for the university. He was at school about one year. He was afterward licensed to preach in the Methodist Protestant Church, and served that Church with fidelity and great usefulness until Dec., 1869, when he withdrew from it and connected himself with the M. E. Church, South. He joined the Montgomery Conference at Union Springs, Ala., and was appointed to the Fayetteville Circuit. At the session of the North Alabama Conference in Gadsden, 1870, he was reappointed to the Fayetteville Circuit, which he was serving when he died. Brother Odom was a spiritual man. His preaching was always characterized by thought

and deep religious experience. His life was consistent. In his contact with all men he was always the same prudent, thoughtful, gentle, earnest, Christian man. His last hours were often cheered by bright evidences of his acceptance with God, and his last expressions were of resignation to his will, and of great confidence in hope of future life. His Church was devoted to him, and the community at large manifested their grief at his death by a very large attendance on the occasion of his funeral. We commend his widow and three children to the mercy of God and care of the Church.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Purvoyant G. Jamieson, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Florence District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence Station.....	150	.....	3
Rodgersville and Driskill Circuit.....	172	1	.....
Lexington Circuit.....	427	.....	5
Cypress Circuit.....	853	.....	10
Tusculumbia.....	86	.....	1
Valley Station.....	161	.....	1
Chickasaw Circuit.....	306	.....	2
Frankfort Mission.....	307	.....	3
Russell Valley Circuit.....	186	.....	1
Moulton Circuit.....	363	.....	3
Courtland Circuit.....	364	.....	2
	3375	1	31

Huntsville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Huntsville Station.....	337	.....	1
Triana Circuit.....	56	.....	.....
Madison Circuit.....	185	.....	1
Meridianville Circuit.....	305	2	2
Mooresville Circuit.....	231	1	2
Limestone Circuit.....	329	.....	8
Athens Station.....	150	.....	2
Decatur Station.....	48	.....	1
Trinity Station.....	100	.....	2
Danville Circuit.....	923	.....	9
Winston Mission.....	76	.....	1
Summerville Circuit.....	452	.....	16
	3192	3	45
* Indians.....	1	.....	.....

Larkinsville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Larkinsville Circuit.....	405	.....	5
Maysville Station.....	138	.....	.....
New Market Circuit.....	112	.....	1
Bell and Flint Factory.....	80	.....	1
Vienna Circuit.....	426	.....	1
Marshall Circuit.....	575	.....	9
Coffee Town Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Sand Mountain Mission.....	256	.....	4
Stevenson and Flat Rock.....	45	4	7
Paint Rock.....	150	.....	.....
	2187	4	28

Gadsden District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Gadsden Station.....	172	.....	5
Gadsden Circuit.....	301	.....	.....
Coloma Mission.....	190	.....	2
Cedar Bluff Circuit.....	366	2	4
Van Buren Circuit.....	347	.....	4
Little River Mission.....	269	.....	1
Ashville Mission.....	315	.....	.....
Murfree's Valley Circuit.....	510	.....	12
Blountsville Circuit.....	426	.....	7
Elyton Station.....	109	.....	.....
Elyton Circuit.....	526	.....	9
Jonesboro Circuit.....	278	.....	1
Warrior Mission.....	139	.....	2
	3948	2	47

Talladega District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Center Circuit.....	223	.....	3
Cross Plains.....	259	27	3
Jacksonville Station.....	121	.....	.....
White Plains Circuit.....	340	1	6
Alexandria Circuit.....	340	.....	1
Talladega Circuit.....	516	.....	7
Talladega Station.....	128	.....	.....
Harpersville Circuit.....	491	.....	10
Shelby Iron Works Station.....	50	.....	1
Montevallo Circuit.....	475	.....	6
Montevallo Station.....	54	.....	.....
Fayetteville Circuit.....	284	.....	4
Blue Mountain Mission.....	110	.....	1
	3391	28	42

Lafayette District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lafayette Circuit.....	201	.....	5
Oak Bowery Circuit.....	389	.....	4
Dadeville Circuit.....	237	.....	7
Socapatoy Circuit.....	176	.....	2
Millersville Mission.....	110	.....	1
Hanover Circuit.....	284	.....	4
Pineknayville.....	600	.....	6
Lineville Mission.....	243	.....	3
Fredonia Circuit.....	600	.....	6
Wedowee Mission.....	100	.....	1
Arbacoochee Circuit.....	475	.....	5
	3415	.....	44

Tuskaloosa District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tuskaloosa Station.....	137	.....	.....
Tuskaloosa Circuit.....	339	.....	2
North Port.....	490	.....	6
Jasper Circuit.....	210	.....	6
Fairview Mission.....	215	.....	2
Pikeville Mission.....	568	.....	3
Fayette Circuit.....	393	1	9
Vernon Circuit.....	513	.....	7
Yorkville Circuit.....	486	.....	2
Carrollton Circuit.....	285	.....	3
Gordo Circuit.....	440	.....	4
Bexar Mission.....	479	.....	11
Yellow Creek.....	116	.....	1
	4671	1	56

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence District.....	3375	1	31
Huntsville* ".....	3192	3	45
Larkinsville ".....	2187	4	28
Gadsden ".....	3948	2	47
Talladega ".....	3391	28	42
Lafayette ".....	3415	.....	44
Tuskaloosa ".....	4671	1	56
Total this year.....	24,179	39	293
Total last year.....	22,460	188	259
Increase, * Indians 1.....	1719	.....	34
Decrease.....	.....	149	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
605.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1728.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
305.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1572.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
11,378.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1446 25

Applied as follows:

Mrs. T. Lynch,	\$ 61 25
Mrs. R. Anderson and children,	150 00
Mrs. Mark Lynch,	40 00
Miss Myra Erwin,	65 00
Mrs. Hughes,	40 00
Mrs. Abernethy and children,	125 00
Willis D. Matthews,	60 00
Rev. — Foust,	40 00
Mrs. Bailey,	50 00
Mrs. J. B. Powers and children,	145 00
Mrs. E. C. Odom,	145 00
Rev. Uriah Williams,	50 00
Mrs. Hartwell Brown,	50 00
Rev. E. McMeans,	70 00
Rev. J. N. Glover,	70 00
Rev. Wm. Rhodes,	50 00
Mrs. Whitby,	40 00
Rev. C. N. McLeod,	100 00
Mrs. Stanley,	95 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$2644 96.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

FLORENCE DISTRICT.

J. W. Whitten, P. E.

Florence, H. Brown.
Rodgersville & Driskill's Chapel, W. Weakley.
Lexington, J. G. Gibson.
Cypress, W. McQueen.
Oakland, J. S. Marks.
Waterloo, Z. A. Parker.
Tuscumbia, J. H. Anderson.
Colbert Mission, G. W. Hamilton.
Valley Station, J. B. Stevenson.
Chickasaw, B. J. Gaston.
Frankfort, J. B. Perkins.
Russell's Valley, T. G. Whitten.

Moulton, L. F. Whitten.
Courtland, M. L. Whitten.
Leighton, J. S. Davis.
Florence Wesleyan University, to be supplied.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. Boland, P. E.

Huntsville, A. West.
Triana, M. B. Johnston.
Madison, R. J. Sampler.
Madison Circuit, B. F. Lea.
Athens, J. A. Thompson.
Athens Circuit, T. F. Brown, J. C. Phelps, Sup.
Limestone Mission, to be supplied (by R. Rainey).
Decatur, W. E. Mabry.
Trinity and Mooresville, F. P. Scruggs.
Danville, A. G. Copeland.
Winston Mission, to be supplied (by J. W. Harvey).
Somerville, D. Phelps.
Huntsville Female College, J. G. Wilson, President.
Athens Female College, J. Wright, President.
Assistant Agent American Bible Society, North Alabama, Z. Parker.

SCOTTSBORO DISTRICT.

H. P. Turner, P. E.

Larkinsville, W. T. Andrews.
Maysville, M. E. Johnson.
New Market, A. F. Driskill.
Bell and Flint Factory, C. Godby.
Vienna, J. M. Hamer.
Deposit, J. T. Bartee.
Marshall, J. C. Hunkapillar.
Coffee Town, W. C. McCoy.
Sand Mountain, M. Cochran, C. W. Smith, Sup.
Stevenson, R. T. Blackwell.
Flat Rock Mission, J. Cox.
Paint Rock, R. J. Wilson.

GADSDEN DISTRICT.

D. Duncan, P. E.

Gadsden, J. T. Curry.
Gadsden Circuit, E. F. S. Roberts.
Coloma Mission, F. C. Stephenson.
Cedar Bluff, P. K. Brindley.
Valley Head, C. N. McLeod.
Van Buren, J. A. Neely.
Little River Mission, to be supplied (by R. S. Price).

Ashville, R. F. Mountain.
Murfree's Valley, J. E. Andrews.
Blountsville, R. W. Coons.
Elyton, T. G. Slaughter.
Elyton Circuit, W. L. Clifton.
Jonesboro, T. P. Roberts.
Village Falls, J. H. Tucker.

TALLADEGA DISTRICT.

W. R. Kirk, P. E.

Center, E. A. West, J. G. Walker, Sup.
Cross Plains, W. T. Rowland.
Jacksonport, T. H. Deavenport.

White Plains, E. B. Norton.
 Alexandria, R. G. Ragan.
 E. B. McLelland, Sup.
 Coosa River Mission, I. Q. Melton.
 Talladega, C. D. Oliver.
 Talladega Circuit, R. A. Timmons.
 Blue Mountain Mission, C. S. D. Lassiter.
 Fayetteville, C. L. Dobbs.
 Harpersville, F. T. J. Brandon.
 Shelby Iron Works, D. S. McDonald.
 Montevallo, G. R. Lynch.
 Cahaba, River Mission, M. G. Foust.
 Sunday-school Agent, L. M. Wilson.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

L. R. Bell, P. E.

Lafayette, P. L. Henderson.
 Oak Bowery, J. L. Coleman.
 Dadeville, J. N. Dupree.
 Pinckneyville, W. D. Nicholson.
 Socapatoy, W. T. Patillo.
 Millersville Mission, H. Young.
 Lineville, E. W. Jones.
 Fredonia, C. M. Livingston.
 Wedonee, R. Stripling.
 Arbacoochce, P. E. Nicholson.

TUSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

J. D. Anthony, P. E.

Tuskaloosa, to be supplied (by J. Hamilton).
 Tuskaloosa Circuit, W. H. Armstrong.
 Kennedale Mission, G. B. Wilson.

Northport, J. G. Gurley.
 Yellow Creek Mission, to be supplied (by J. Shirley).
 New Lexington, D. W. Ward.
 Jasper, W. E. Cameron, J. B. Cole.
 Fayette, J. H. Cameron.
 Vernon, J. W. Newman.
 Yellow Creek, T. N. Shelton.
 Yorkville, E. Nicholson.
 Carrollton, R. Scales.
 Pickensville, V. O. Hawkins.
 Gordo, J. F. Randall.
 Gordo Mission, to be supplied (by D. McKee).
 Bexar, W. R. Williams.
 Allen's Factory Mission, to be supplied (by M. A. Pearce).
 Tuskaloosa Female College, B. F. Larrabee, President.

G. Hawkins, transferred to Alabama Conference.

R. H. Rogers, transferred to Alabama Conference.

Moses L. White, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

J. C. Mials, transferred to Tennessee Conference.

W. H. Anthony, transferred to Tennessee Conference.

H. L. Booth, transferred to Tennessee Conference.

W. H. Anderson, transferred to Louisville Conference.

12.—LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MONROE, LA., *January 3-8, 1872.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; CHARLES F. EVANS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Herman Eber, Christian Keener, Samuel H. Schroeder, Thomas Mullett. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John W. Hearn, Philip Allen. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

John A. G. Rabe, J. Gorton Miller, J. Lane Borden, Richard H. Adair, James M. Franklin. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Nathanael M. Skipworth, William F. Alexander. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

George Bright, from Mississippi Conference; William F. Easterling, from Louisville Con-

ference; William V. Tudor, from Baltimore Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

James M. McKee, Richard H. Adair, John A. G. Rabe, J. Gorton Miller, J. Lane Borden, Joseph W. Medlock, Robert Randle. 7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas Mullett, Herman Eber. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas Mullett, Herman Eber. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

William F. Horton, John W. Smith, Dr. William M. Jennings. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

William M. Jennings, Thomas M. Mann,

Gilbert McCoy, Robert T. Williams, William F. Horton. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

J. Lane Borden, Thomas Mullett. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

J. Lane Borden, Thomas Mullett. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Thomas R. Laningham, Henry L. Smith, Dr. T. S. Collier, Joseph H. Jordan, Wesley Bodie. 5.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Henry L. Smith, Joseph H. Jordan, Wesley Bodie, C. A. C. Harlong. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Seaborn J. Graves, John S. Davis, Joseph H. Stone, John F. Marshall. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Henry C. Thweatt, Almarin G. Miller, Wm. E. Doty, Edwin W. Yancey, Philo M. Goodwyn, Fisher T. Rawson. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Wm. G. McGaughey, Thomas Samford. 2.

WILLIAM G. MCGAUGHEY was born in Davidson county, Tennessee, Jan. 12, 1812. His parents were members of the Presbyterian Church, and doubtless he received his earliest religious impressions at the home of his childhood. He was converted when twenty-one years of age, on the Randolph Camp-ground, in Tipton county, West Tennessee, and joined the Methodist Church before the close of the meeting. He married Miss Harriet Dill, March 5, 1834. He was licensed to exhort at Holly Springs, Miss., about 1843, under Rev. William McMahan. The ensuing fall he received license as a local preacher, and accomplished much good for the Church in this capacity. He was a Bible Agent for the American Bible Society several years before and after he obtained license to exhort and preach, and as such traveled over a large portion of North Mississippi. He was elected to deacon's orders at Jackson, Tenn., by the Memphis Conference, and ordained by Bishop Soule, Nov. 28, 1847. He was elected to elder's orders at Brownsville, Tenn., by the Memphis Conference, and ordained by Bishop Andrew, Dec. 5, 1852. He came to Louisiana from Holly Springs, Miss., and was admitted on trial in Louisiana Conference at its session at Bastrop, December, 1855, and was appointed to Swan Lake; the next year, to Swan Lake and Pecan Grove. He was appointed to Lake Providence in 1858. His work, in 1859 and 1860, was Carroll Circuit. In 1861 and 1862, his field was Tensas and Elizabeth Chapel. In 1863, he was on the Tensas Mission. In 1864, he was appointed

to Wesley, Tensas, and Jordan Chapel. In 1865 and 1866, he was placed upon the Tensas District. In 1867, 1868, and 1869, he was sent to the Lake Providence District; in 1870, to Carroll Circuit; and, in 1871, he received his last appointment upon earth—that of Lake Providence—for death came and bore him hence to heaven, before he had even entered this field of labor. Brother McGaughey went to the last session of Conference, at New Orleans, in most excellent health and spirits. His home while there was with his old friend, Brother Henry Given, whom he highly esteemed. He was deeply interested in the Conference session, and was present from its opening to its close, and appeared to be much gratified both at what he heard and saw of the happy progress of Southern Methodism in Louisiana. On the day following the final adjournment of the Conference, he complained of slight illness, and declined returning to Vicksburg, *en route* home, by the cars, but took the steamer R. E. Lee, which left that evening at 5 o'clock. He reached that city Friday evening, Jan. 13, and went up to the Prentiss House, through a heavy storm of cold wind and rain; but this exposure did not injure his health, for on the next morning he, with other ministers, took the cars at Delta for Delhi promptly, and during the trip, which was very slow and tedious, though less than fifty miles, he was quite cheerful and happy. On the Sabbath, Jan. 15, he reached his home, and was thrice blessed in meeting the loved ones of his heart, safe and sound. And their joy was increased to see him return in such good health and buoyancy of spirits; for he usually came back from Conference more or less indisposed. On Tuesday night, Jan. 17, he was attacked with a chill, succeeded by fever; and, when he grew no better, first one and then two physicians were called in, who were unrelenting in their attentions to the sufferer, both day and night; but all earthly efforts produced no change for the better. He seemed to indulge the idea, soon after the commencement of his sickness, that he should not live, and made an effort to arrange his business affairs. He conversed very sparingly during the whole of his sickness, perhaps from the peculiar nature of his disease, which was said to be pneumonia. He requested prayer, at several different times, and the reading of the Holy Scriptures in connection with it. The last lesson he ever heard read from the sacred volume was the forty-second Psalm, selected by himself, and which commences thus: "As the hart panteth after the water-brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God. My soul thirsteth for God, even for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?" While the inspired words of this Psalm were read, his whole soul seemed to tear itself away from the shadows of earth, and fix itself resignedly upon the realities of eternity. His eyes pierced as it were through the dark clouds that lower in the vale of death, hiding the eternal world from fleshly gaze, to the distant realms of unending rest

and love. Prayer and part of a favorite hymn followed this lesson. After this he gradually grew weaker, and his mind wandered increasingly, till Thursday, Jan. 26, at 6 o'clock P.M., when he calmly closed his eyes forever upon all earthly scenes. His remains were deposited near the top of a high mound, a short distance from Floyd, where they still rest. His death is universally regretted on the Lake Providence District, not only by the Church, but also by the world, who esteemed him very highly. Brother McGaughey was looked upon as a man of remarkably fine sense. He had marked traits of character in his pulpit efforts and social intercourse. He possessed a warm, tender, loving heart, and a high sense of Christian honor. He was an excellent preacher of the simple gospel of Christ, and his preaching did good, particularly in protracted efforts. He was a man of great faith in God, and unswerving in the discharge of his ministerial duties, as the following incident will show: He was going to Delhi, just after the close of the war, when times were unusually hard and bread scarce. It was in the evening, and he met an old friend who excused himself for not inviting him to his home. When he reached town, no person opened a door to receive him for the night. He deliberately turned his horse loose in the street to shift for himself, and went up to the tavern with his saddle-bags in his hand, where he got his supper and bed for the night. Next morning, when he went to pay his bill, he was politely informed that it had been settled. He then set out to look for his horse, and, after a long search, found him, not in the street nor on the common, but in a good stable, standing behind a trough well filled with corn. Other facts from his useful life might be given here; but the above is sufficient to exhibit to us his unshaken reliance in the gracious promises of Christ, his untiring love for the Church, and his zeal for the souls of men.

THOMAS SAMFORD closed his earthly pilgrimage in the city of Jefferson, Texas, July 28, 1871, it being the eighty-third anniversary of his birth. He was ordained a deacon by Bishop George, in July, 1821; and by the same Bishop he was set apart to the office of elder in 1824. In the days of his strength he was a preacher of great power and influence in the Church. He lived in Jefferson the last three years. His pastor reports him as a meek, patient servant of God, waiting for his release from suffering, and for the reward of fidelity meritoriously concentering in the Redeemer of sinners. His death was more the result of the cessation of the life-power than of disease. The weary wheels of life showed signs of a loss of momentum on Wednesday afternoon; a profound coma ensued, and the respiration was disturbed, but without consciousness of pain. On Thursday he uttered a few words indicative of triumph, and on Friday evening the wheels stopped their sluggish motion. The silver cord was loosed, the golden bowl broken, and

all that was spiritual and immortal of this renowned father mounted on high, and gravitated to the center of all good. He was a superannuated member of the Louisiana Conference for more than twenty years. The Conference has ever had the highest appreciation of his character, and now have "hope in his death."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

New Orleans District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
New Orleans:			
Carondelet Street.....	428	2	2
Felicity Street.....	312	1	2
Moreau Street.....	114	.....	1
Dryades Street (German).....	120	.....	.....
Craps Street (German).....	120	.....	.....
Lafayette and Carrollton (German).....	35	.....	1
Cadiz Street and Carrollton.....	42	.....	1
Louisiana Avenue.....	52	.....	1
Algiers.....	28	.....	.....
Baton Rouge.....	161	.....	1
Plaquemine and Grosse Tete.....	25	.....	.....
	1437	3	9

Opelousas District.

Opelousas.....	119	.....	1
Plaquemine Brule.....	401	70	2
Washington.....	81	.....	.....
Vermillion.....	25	170	2
Abbeville.....	50	.....	1
New Iberia.....	228	1	.....
Franklin and Pattersonville.....	133	.....	1
Grand Cheniere.....	40	.....	.....
Lake Charles.....	10	44	1
	1087	285	8

Alexandria District.

Alexandria and Pineville.....	60	2	.....
Harrisonburg and Trinity.....	20	10	.....
Evergreen and Big Cane.....	56	.....	1
Atlanta.....	227	10	1
Spring Creek.....	139	15	1
Centerville.....	215	.....	2
Columbia.....	224	9	1
Calcasieu.....	250	26	5
Rapides.....	265	10	4
	1456	82	15

Shreveport District.

Shreveport.....	148	42	1
Mooringport.....	170	12	4
Caddo.....	140	40	.....
Keachi.....	161	2	.....
Mansfield.....	171	.....	1
Pleasant Hill and Mammy.....	500	75	2
Springville.....	200	.....	2
Anacoco.....	238	25	4
	1728	196	14

Ouachita District.

Monroe.....	64	.....	1
Trenton.....	111	35	1

Ouachita District (continued).

	White Men's.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Ouachita Circuit.....	356	.....	1
Farmersville.....	188	31	6
Lisbon.....	237	.....	3
Haynesville.....	300	171	2
Homer.....	400	.....	2
Vernon.....	428	50	2
Castor.....	219	.....	.....
Homer Colored Circuit.....	.....	212	.....
	2303	499	18

Minden District.

Minden Circuit.....	200	1
North Bossier.....	123	264	1
South Bossier.....	215	200	.....
Mount Lebanon.....	216	.....	.....
Minden Colored Circuit.....	.....	234	.....
Mt. Lebanon Colored Circuit.....	.....	30	.....
	754	728	2

Lake Providence District.

Lake Providence.....	19	1
Waterproof Circuit.....	107	200	1
Floyd.....	268	.....	5
Winnsboro.....	125	.....	1
Richland.....	112	50	1
Bastrop.....	121	.....	1
Pine Grove and Wright's Chapel.....	22	.....	.....
Lind Grove.....	160	.....	.....
Siely Island.....	71	.....	1
Oak Ridge Colored Circuit.....	.....	81	.....
Bastrop Colored Circuit.....	.....	142	.....
	1005	473	11

Recapitulation.

New Orleans District.....	1437	3	9
Opelousas.....	1087	285	8
Alexandria.....	1456	82	15
Shreveport.....	1728	196	14
Ouachita.....	2303	499	18
Minden.....	754	728	2
Lake Providence.....	1005	473	11
Total this year.....	9770	2266	77
Total last year.....	9044	2343	99
Increase.....	726	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	77	22

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

654.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

643.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

78.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

668.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

4446.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$2020.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$2633 10

Applied as follows:

Henry C. Thweatt,	\$150 00	
Joel Saunders,	300 00	450 00
Widow of		
Jones H. Waters,	150 00	
Fielding Bell,	150 00	
Richmond Randle,	150 00	
Uriah Whately,	150 00	
Thomas Samford,	150 00	750 00
Widow and orphans of		
R. R. R. Alexander,	230 00	
W. G. McGaughey,	230 00	460 00
Orphans of		
C. J. Hallberg,	160 00	
W. J. McFarland,	80 00	
Samuel Hawes,	40 00	
B. C. Stegall,	80 00	360 00

Total, \$2020 00

Balance on hand, \$613 10

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$3099 46.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

New Orleans, La.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

Linus Parker, P. E.

New Orleans:

Carondelet Street, William V. Tudor.
Felicity Street, John Mathews.
Moreau Street, Joseph D. Adams.
Dryades Street (German), John A. G. Rabe.
Craps Street (German), John B. A. Ahrens.
Soraparu and Carrollton (German), to be supplied (by J. G. Krauter).
Cadiz Street and Carrollton, Jas. A. Ivy.
Louisiana Avenue, to be supplied (by Thomas W. Dyer).

Algiers and Thibodeaux, to be supplied (by Lewis A. Reed).

Baton Rouge, A. E. Goodwyn.

Plaquemine and Grosse Tete, to be supplied.

Publishing House, New Orleans, Robert J. Harp, Agent.

Blind Asylum, Baton Rouge, Patrick Lane.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.

B. F. White, P. E.

Opelousas, William F. Easterling.

New Iberia, Thomas B. White.

Franklin and Pattersonville, George Bright.

Vermillion and Abbeville, Baxter Clegg.

Bellevue, J. V. Pointer.

Plaquemine Brule, to be supplied (by Calvin A. Frazer).

Washington, to be supplied.

Lake Charles Mission, to be supplied.

Sugar Town Mission, Thomas Mullett.

Calcasieu Mission, to be supplied (by George W. Reeves).

Grand Cheniere Mission, to be supplied.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Fred. K. White, P. E.

Alexandria and Pineville, Samuel Armstrong.

Evergreen and Big Cane, Christian Keener.

Bayou Boeuff and Spring Creek Mission, Silas

H. Cooper, one to be supplied.

Lineport Circuit, to be supplied.

Harrisonburg and Trinity, to be supplied (by C. R. Godfrey).

Columbia Circuit and Triune, R. A. Davis, John S. Davis, Sup.

Centerville Mission, to be supplied.

Atlanta, Samuel H. Schroeder, John F. Marshall, Sup.

Rapides Circuit and Mission, John F. Wynn.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

John Pipes, P. E.

Shreveport, John Wilkinson.

Caddo, Amicus W. Williams.

Keachi, Richard H. Adair.

Mansfield, Charles W. Carter.

Pleasant Hill, Robert Parvin.

Manny, to be supplied (by Henry L. Smith).

Anacoco, James M. Franklin.

Natchitoches Mission, to be supplied.

Springville, William D. Stayton.

MINDEN DISTRICT.

Nathanael M. Skipworth, P. E.

Minden, Whitmel P. Kimball.

North Bossier, Henry O. White.

South Bossier, Robert Randle.

Sparta, Philip Allen.

Bristeneau, Richard M. Crowson.

OUACHITA DISTRICT.

Samuel S. Scott, P. E.

Monroe, Charles F. Evans.

Trenton, J. Lane Borden.

Ouachita Circuit, Robert T. Parish.

Farmersville, Joseph Gorton Miller.

Haynesville, John A. Miller.

Homer, Nehemiah A. Cravens.

Vernon, John C. Reed.

Castor and Louisville, John W. Hearn.

Homer College, James E. Cobb, President;

Thomas J. Upton, Agent.

LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.

Joel T. Daves, P. E.

Providence Circuit, William F. Alexander.

Floyd and Delhi, James E. Bradley.

Oak Grove, to be supplied (by Thomas B. Re-
neau).

Waterproof and Tensas Chapel, Benj. F. Al-
exander.

Wesley and Jordan Chapel, Philip H. Dief-
fenweirth.

Sicily Island, Thomas H. McClendon, Joseph
H. Stone.

Winnsboro, James McKee.

Rayville, James L. Wright.

Bastrop, Marcus C. Manley.

Lind Grove, Joseph W. Medlock.

William C. Haislip, transferred to Trinity
Conference.

Seaborn J. Graves, transferred to Texas Con-
ference.

Herman Eber, transferred to Virginia Con-
ference.

Reynolds S. Trippett, transferred to Missis-
sippi Conference, and stationed at Port Gib-
son.

13.—MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MERIDIAN, MISS., *December 13-19, 1871.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; C. G. ANDREWS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Henry Walter Featherston, War-
ren C. Black, James J. Smylie, George Ban-
croft. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John Wesley Sandell, Thomas B. Walden,
David P. Bradford, Hiram Rives Singleton,
John W. Hall, Alexander Trotter, Daniel G.
W. Ellis, Geo. M. Gilmore, Jas. S. Parker. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Peter Wilson Cram, William J. Seale. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
tion?

David M. Givens, James M. Weems, Lyman
Carley, George W. Chatfield, Ulysses B. Phil-
lips. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Elisha F. Mullins. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Pinckney A. Johnson (from the North Mississippi Conference), 1; and 19 were received by the union of the Mississippi Methodist Protestant Conference with ours.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
Henry P. Bowen. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

David M. Givens, James M. Weems, John W. Hall. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

David M. Givens, James M. Weems, John W. Hall. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

J. W. Williams, Alexander Scarborough, H. Walter Featherston, A. C. Hundley, Miles Linton, Aaron Jones, John Richey. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Miles Linton, James M. Crews, Aaron Jones, C. L. Kirksey, H. Walter Featherston, A. C. Hundley. 6.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Henry P. Bowen, Levi P. Meador, Epaphroditus W. Simmons, Alexander M. Campbell, Charles B. Galloway. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Levi P. Meador, Henry P. Bowen, Epaphroditus W. Simmons, Alexander M. Campbell, Charles B. Galloway. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Elijah L. Tarver, J. S. Arbuthnot, Robert C. Betha, Eugenius M. Alford. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Samuel D. Terry, Elijah L. Tarver, Paul F. Sterns. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

J. G. Ingraham, R. J. Parker, J. Creel, J. Allen, Thomas Price. 5.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Jno. B. Bowen, Jarrott W. McNeil, James K. Hamblen, Leonidas R. Redding, John W. Adams, A. Y. Davis, J. N. Williams, George T. Vickers. 9.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

William Finn, Thomas Nixon, John G. Jones, James Long, William McCormick, Jesse McKay, Barnabas Pipkin, Thomas Clinton, John G. Deskin, John B. Higginbotham, Levi Pearce, Hervey Copeland. 12.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

John Blacklidge. 1.

JOHN BLACKLIDGE, late of Jones county, Miss., died at the residence of his son, J. G.

Blacklidge, in the early portion of last autumn. He died in the full hope of a blissful immortality. Our beloved brother was born and brought up in South Carolina, and emigrated to Mississippi when he was quite a young man. Soon after he came to Mississippi he embraced religion, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. In about a year after his connection with the Church began, he was appointed class-leader. After serving the Church in that capacity a short time, he was licensed to exhort, and then to preach. He served the Church in the capacity of a local preacher for perhaps twenty-five years, more or less. In 1853 he joined the Methodist Protestant Church, and still continued to work in the capacity of a local preacher till 1867. In that year he was received as a traveling preacher into the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. He traveled a small circuit two years, when his health declined, and he was compelled to give up the work. Brother Blacklidge was a warm advocate for the union of the Methodist Protestant Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He lived and rejoiced to see the two Mississippi Conferences unite. By the union he was restored to the Church of his early love and choice. His life was characterized by consistent piety, fervent zeal, and faithful labor. In his last sickness and death he was sustained by the calm philosophy of the religion he had so long professed. His heart was warm and his friendship true. He leaves quite a number of children and grandchildren, and a large circle of relations and friends to mourn for him.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Woodville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Woodville Station.....	61	1	2
Wilkinson.....	233	.....	1
Liberty.....	200	.....	1
Buffalo.....	171	.....	1
Bayou Sara.....	150	.....	.....
Jackson and Plains.....	215	.....	3
East Feliciana.....	240	.....	1
Clinton Station.....	83	.....	1
Baton Rouge.....	247	.....	.....
Meadville.....	110	.....	.....
	1710	1	10

Summit District.

Summit.....	156	.....	1
Bogue Chitto.....	160	.....	6
Holmesville.....	272	.....	2
St. Helena.....	178	1	.....
Greensburg.....	218	.....	.....
Arcola.....	101	2	1
Covington.....	174	.....	1

Summit District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Franklinton.....	159	3	.....
Farmington.....	107	.....	1
Tangipahoa.....	60	.....	.....
	1585	6	12

Sea-shore District.

Mt. Carmel	340	.....	1
Rankin.....	450	.....	5
Columbia.....	272	3	1
Gainsville.....	176	1	.....
Handsboro	80	.....	2
White Plains Mission.....	130	6	3
Enon.....	175	33	3
Pascagoula and Bay-shore.....	210	25	1
West Pascagoula.....	238	30	3
Green.....	127	1	.....
	2198	99	19

Brookhaven District.

Brookhaven Station.....	106	.....	.....
Scotland.....	137	.....	2
Brandywine.....	377	.....	1
Crystal Springs Station.....	278	.....	3
Hazlehurst.....	125	.....	2
Pleasant Valley and Rehoboth.....	190	.....	4
Burtonton.....	122	.....	.....
Georgetown.....	201	.....	2
Wesson and Beauregard.....	123	.....	.....
Martinsville.....	343	.....	7
Jackson Circuit.....	192	.....	.....
	2194	.....	21

Jackson District.

Jackson Station.....	171	.....	1
Madison.....	78	.....	2
Canton Station	150	1	1
Sharon.....	148	43	1
Sulphur Springs.....	140	.....	1
Carthage.....	200	.....	2
Camden.....	169	250	1
Yazoo City Station	95	.....	.....
Yazoo.....	317	.....	2
Mt. Olivet.....	208	.....	3
Brownsville.....	181	.....	.....
Raymond.....	141	.....	1
	1998	294	15

Vicksburg District.

Vicksburg Station.....	202	.....	2
North Warren.....	250	.....	6
South Warren.....	111	.....	1
Cayuga.....	262	.....	1
Rocky Springs.....	193	.....	2
Port Gibson Station.....	115	.....	.....
Fayette.....	367	.....	5
Natchez Station.....	166	.....	.....
Kingston.....	13	.....	.....
Lower Deer Creek	36	2	2
Clover Hill	27	.....	.....
Milldale and Cane Ridge.....	68	.....	.....
	1810	2	19

Brandon District.

Brandon	125	.....	1
Fannin.....	124	.....	.....
Forest.....	220	.....	1
Polkville.....	128	.....	1
Trenton.....	283	.....	1
Scotland Chapel.....	363	.....	4
Sylvarena.....	168	.....	1
Garlandsville.....	216	.....	2
Decatur Mission	158	.....	2

Brandon District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Morton.....	200	.....	.....
Philadelphia.....	261	44	1
Lake	300	.....	4
Strong River.....	120	.....	.....
	2666	44	18

Meridian District.

Meridian Station	243	.....	4
Marion.....	362	10	4
Toomsaba Mission.....	105	.....	2
De Kalb.....	388	.....	2
Spring Hill.....	412	.....	2
Enterprise Station.....	71	.....	1
Enterprise Mission.....	18	.....	.....
Enterprise Circuit.....	396	.....	2
Clarke.....	176	.....	4
Bogue Homa.....	117	.....	.....
Wayne.....	331	.....	5
Pauling.....	225	.....	3
Jasper.....	119	.....	.....
	2963	10	29

Recapitulation.

Woodville District.....	1710	1	10
Summit	1585	6	12
Sea-shore	2198	99	19
Brookhaven	2194	.....	21
Jackson	1998	294	15
Vicksburg	1810	2	19
Brandon	2666	44	18
Meridian	2963	10	29
Total this year.....	17,124	456	143
Total last year.....	15,385	520	146
Increase.....	1739	.....	.....
Decrease.....		64	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

948.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1142.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

180.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

952.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

9869.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$4200.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1724 12

Applied as follows:

R. W. Lambuth's child,	24	30
Mrs. Vernon Johnson,	91	00
Mrs. Dawson and child,	94	50
Mrs. U. S. Thompson,	181	75
Thomas Clinton and wife,	81	75

Mrs. Campbell,	60 75
Mrs. Cooper,	40 50
James Long and wife,	162 00
J. B. Higginbotham,	40 50
Mrs. Hardy Mullins,	40 50
Mrs. Deborah Johnson,	40 50
J. R. Lambuth's child,	24 30
Mrs. Watson,	81 00
Mrs. Wiggins and child,	52 65
E. Mortimer's child,	24 30
Brother Massey's children,	64 80
D. M. Wadsworth's daughter,	24 30
Hervey Copeland,	85 05
Mrs. W. W. Drake,	60 75
Mrs. Hainey,	81 30
P. E. Green's children,	51 30
Mrs. Berry and child,	91 66
Sister Sims,	91 66
J. G. Deskin and wife,	173 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$1782 96.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Brandon, Miss.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WOODVILLE DISTRICT.

James L. Forsyth, P. E.

Woodville Station, Corydon Chamberlin.
Wilkinson Circuit, James H. Shelton.
{ Amité, Ephraim A. Flowers.
{ Homochitto Mission, to be supplied (by J. E. Jagers).
Buffalo, Philip S. Petty.
Bayou Sara, Robert D. Norsworthy.
Jackson, La., Station, Charles G. Andrews.
East Feliciana, Wm. H. Leith.
Clinton, La., James A. Godfrey.
East Baton Rouge, Epaphroditus W. Simmons.
Meadville, John D. Willis.
Centenary College, Charles G. Andrews, President.

SUMMIT DISTRICT.

Joseph Nicholson, P. E.

Summit and Magnolia, Benjamin Jones.
Holmesville, John W. Sandell.
St. Helena, David A. Givens.
Greensburg, David P. Bradford.
Amité City, George M. Gilmore.
Ponchatoula, Thomas B. Walden.
Covington, Henry P. Bowen, George T. Vickers, Sup.
Franklinton, Henry P. Lewis.
Livingston Mission, to be supplied.
Big Creek Mission, Seaborn R. Hyde.

SEA-SHORE DISTRICT.

Charles F. Gillespie, P. E.

{ Mt. Carmel, Newton B. Young.
{ Williamsburg Mission, Henry Moore.
Rankin, Walter W. Hurst.
Columbia, Lyman Carley.
Pearlington, George Jackson.
Ocean Springs, E. J. Taylor.

White Plains, David Merchant.
Enon Mission, to be supplied (by W. G. Evans).
{ East Pascagoula, Ulysses B. Phillips.
{ West Pascagoula, to be supplied (by Irvin Roberts).
Green Mission, to be supplied (by J. M. Wimbish).
South-western Bible Society, John W. Harmon, Agent.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

Wm. E. M. Linfield, P. E.

{ Brookhaven Station, Harvey F. Johnson.
{ Brookhaven Mission, John J. Clark.
Scotland, Archibald B. Nicholson.
Brandywine, Columbus W. Campbell.
Crystal Springs, Henry J. Harris, Jarrott W. McNeil, Sup.
Hazlehurst, Pinckney A. Johnson, Leonidas R. Redding, Sup.
Pleasant Valley and Rehoboth, Horace M. Booth.
Burtonton, William Wadsworth.
Georgetown, Andrew Day.
Providence, Franklin W. Sharbrough.
Jackson Circuit, John Lusk.
Wesson and Beauregard, Elisha F. Mullins.
Bogue Chitto, Erastus R. Strickland, Bascom T. Pearson.
Whitworth College, H. F. Johnson, President;
Edwin H. Mounger, Professor of Languages.
Sunday-school Agent, Wm. G. Millsaps.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

Henderson H. Montgomery, P. E.

Jackson Station, William E. Ballard.
Raymond, James J. Smylie.
Brownsville, Robert B. Donner.
Madison, Warren C. Black.
Canton Station, to be supplied (by W. F. Horton).
Sharon, Josiah M. Pugh, A. G. Davis, Sup.
{ Camden, Andrew B. Stewart, Whitfield Harrington.
{ Thomastown, to be supplied (by S. D. Terry), James K. Hamblen, Sup.
Sulphur Springs, David W. Dillehay, Jno. W. Adams, Sup.
Carthage, James M. Weems.
{ Yazoo City, Wm. L. C. Hunnicutt.
{ Silver Creek, to be supplied (by Jno. J. Jones).
Yazoo Circuit, Richard Abbey.
{ Mt. Olivet, Alexander M. Campbell.
{ Yazoo Mission, to be supplied (by L. D. Langford).
Madison College, J. M. Pugh, President.
Missionary to China, James W. Lambuth.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

John A. B. Jones, P. E.

{ Vicksburg Station, Joshua T. Heard.
{ Vicksburg Mission, Francis M. Featherston.
{ North Warren, Parmenas Howard.
{ Milldale and Sunflower, James S. Harris.
South Warren, Charles B. Galloway.
Cayuga, Ira B. Robertson.

Rocky Springs, Hiram R. Singleton.
 Port Gibson, to be supplied (by Chas. F. Evans).
 Fayette, William B. Lewis.
 Kingston, to be supplied (by Thos. W. Brown).
 Natchez, William H. Watkins.
 Clover Hill, James S. Parker.
 Rolling Fork, H. Walter Featherston.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

William B. Hines, P. E.

Meridian Station, John A. Ellis.
 De Kalb, Daniel G. W. Ellis.
 Spring Hill, James M. Gann.
 Marion, John C. Brogan.
 { Enterprise Station, John D. Hays.
 { Enterprise Mission, William Spillman.
 Enterprise Circuit, Thomas Y. Armstrong.
 { Shubuta, Philip H. Napier.
 { Clarke, Alexander Trotter.
 { Wayne, James Shanks.
 { Chickasawha Mission, Henry T. Jones.
 Paulding, Jacob H. Holland.

BRANDON DISTRICT.

Francis M. Williams, P. E.

{ Brandon Station, George F. Thompson.
 { Brandon Circuit, Louis Kendall.

Forest, George M. Liverman.
 Trenton, Robert A. Sibley.
 Raleigh, John Evans.
 Garlandsville, Levi P. Meador.
 Decatur Mission, to be supplied (by P. F. Sterns).
 Morton, C. Macdonald.
 Philadelphia, John A. Vance.
 Lake, George W. Chatfield.
 Taylorsville Mission, J. O. Napier.
 Hillsboro, John W. Hall.

George W. Boyles, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

J. P. Commander, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

W. M. Ross, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

G. Bright, transferred to Louisiana Conference.

G. Bancroft, transferred to Alabama Conference.

T. W. Flowers, transferred to Western Conference.

R. S. Clark, transferred to Western Conference.

J. T. Curtiss, transferred to Western Conference.

14.—NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COLUMBUS, MISS., *Nov. 29-Dec. 5, 1871.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; JOHN BARCROFT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Anthony T. Scruggs, James T. Cunningham, Robt. Paine Mitchell, James L. Herring, Benj. D. Brown, Wm. B. Mitchell, Enos B. Foust, Felix G. Hocutt, Jno. M. Lawrence, David O. Hughes, Zachariah Baize, Thomas G. Randle. 12.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Peter M. Marmon, Thos. W. Dye, Jno. McElhannon, Henry E. Smith, Lorenzo D. Worsham, Edwin H. Moon, Chrisenberry L. Bates, Benj. F. Morris, J. M. Boon, Alexius W. Langley, Andrew J. Foster, Jno. M. Dunn, Samuel C. Stone. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Wm. A. Moore, at his own request, on account of feeble health. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Irl R. Hicks, Ben. H. Bounds, Thos. A. S. Adams, Hiram R. Caldwell, Thomas Cameron, Joseph J. Brooks, Samuel W. Miller, Henry C. Morehead, James D. Bush. 9.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

James W. Bates, Tilmon Page. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

J. B. Cottrell, J. D. Cameron, T. A. S. Adams, O. P. Thomas, Clarence J. Nugent, Elias Jackson, F. S. Petway, Moses L. White. 8.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Jacob D. Murff, Benj. B. Risenhoover, Ben. H. Bounds, Hiram R. Caldwell, Thomas Cameron, Joshua K. Morris, Peter M. Marmon, John McElhannon. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas W. Dye, James M. Boon, Joseph J. Brooks, Samuel W. Miller, Henry C. Morehead. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas W. Dye, James M. Boon, Joseph J. Brooks, Samuel W. Miller, Henry C. Morehead. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Benj. D. Brown, W. H. Echols, Zachariah Baize, Felix G. Hocutt. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Benj. D. Brown, Zachariah Baize, Felix G. Hocutt, N. M. Lowery, Jno. McElhannon. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Pinkney A. Johnston, Thomas P. Ramsey, Irl R. Hicks, Thomas A. S. Adams. 4.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Pinkney A. Johnston, Thomas P. Ramsey, Irl R. Hicks, Thomas A. S. Adams. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Tilmon Page, James T. Cunningham, Jno. F. Tarrant, Eaton D. Hyde. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

James T. Cunningham, Jno. F. Tarrant. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Thomas P. Crymes. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Joseph Johnson, W. E. Ellis, M. L. Martin, J. B. Price, R. W. Yancey, B. B. Risenhoover, F. A. Owen, Thomas W. Castles, A. A. Houston. 9.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Geo. Shaeffer, Humphrey Williamson, Jno. Young, Wm. S. Jones, Robt. Martin, E. J. Williams, W. W. Pearson, Nathanael Thomas, L. H. Davis, W. L. Bonner, S. B. Carson. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

C. B. Harris, A. J. See, J. I. E. Byrd. 3.

CHARLES B. HARRIS was born in Tennessee, March 26, 1800, and died in Marshall county, Miss., December 9, 1870. In early life he made a profession of religion and united with the Methodist Church, whose doctrine and discipline he prized most highly. He was a preacher for forty-six years, twenty-six of which were spent in the itinerancy, in the Tennessee and Memphis Conferences. He was at the time of his death a member of the North Mississippi Conference, and was in attendance during its first session, when he was attacked with the disease that terminated his earthly career. Since the war he has sustained a superannuated relation, but he had regular appointments for preaching, and rendered efficient aid to the circuit preacher during revival seasons. His ministry was characterized by strict fidelity to the duties of his high calling, for he was a "faithful dispenser" of the word, and was successful in winning souls to Christ. Many will rise up in the last day and "call him blessed." As a man and as a minister he was above reproach, and was universally loved, and he died as he had lived. When it became evident that his end was near, he was questioned with reference to his future prospects.

He calmly replied: "Why ask such a question? That matter was settled long ago." Calling his family to his bedside, he conversed with them, making frequent allusions to his past life; he gave them his dying advice and blessing, after which he sunk rapidly, and talked but little. He talked incoherently about Conference, where he imagined himself to be, and sometimes conversed with the brethren upon subjects connected with the interests of the Church. The last words which trembled on his dying lips were, "I am almost there; blessed Jesus," and in a short time passed from earth to heaven. A large family is left to finish life's journey without their loved one. The Rev. J. B. Harris, of the Illinois Conference of the M. E. Church, South, is a son of the deceased.

ANDREW J. SEE was born December 6, 1832. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of fifteen or sixteen, and was licensed to preach in 1854, in the fall of which year he was admitted on trial in the Memphis Conference. He filled the following appointments—viz., Fulton Circuit, 1854-55; Pontotoc Circuit, 1855-56; Pontotoc Station, 1856-57; Trenton Station, 1857-58; Jackson Circuit, 1858-59, 1859-60; Holly Springs Station, 1860-61, 1861-62; Pontotoc Circuit and Colored Mission, 1862-63; Aberdeen Station, 1863-64; Sardis Station, 1865-66, 1866-67, 1867-68, 1868-69; Hernando District, 1869-70; Sardis and Shiloh, 1870-71. Here his labors ended, his glorious reward began, and will never end. He was happily married to Miss Leona J. Camp, of Pontotoc county, Miss., November 25, 1858. One dear child preceded him to heaven, and five little daughters, with his wife, survive to mourn their loss, but in hope of reunion. Truly may it be said of him, that a great and good man has fallen. His life was pure and blameless—he was kind and generous as a neighbor; benevolent and useful as a citizen; loving as a husband; tender and affectionate as a father; uniform and consistent as a Christian; earnest and zealous as a minister; he embodied all those qualities and virtues of head and heart which render him truly a paragon of human excellence. During his last illness he bore his sufferings with the patience and fortitude which the Christian alone can exercise. "The Lord's will be done," he would often exclaim, and when suffering intensely he would repeat some passage of Scripture of this character: "For I reckon, that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." A short time before his death, he called a brother minister to his bedside, and sent his message of love to the preachers, "Tell them," he said, "farewell, God bless you, I love you much." Brother See felt that his work was done, as he expressed it. The day he was taken sick, he remarked: "My constitution is wrecked; I cannot stand it much longer. I would rather live, if it is the Lord's will that I regain my health. I

regret leaving my dear family, and I regret dying so young; but I am in His hands; I have tried to do my duty; I have lived for this hour; I am not afraid to meet the king of terrors." Friday and Saturday, the last days he spent on earth, he seemed better; but late Saturday evening it was evident he was sinking very fast, which he continued to do till half-past eight o'clock, when his pure and happy spirit "returned to God who gave it." Thus ended a painful illness of twelve days, and a life full of honor, richly merited, too, for he zealously labored for the good of others, and his life was truly a sacrifice for the cause he loved so well; and he now sleeps in peace where loving friends have laid him.

JOHN IRA ELLIS BYRD was born on Lynch's Creek, in Sumter District, South Carolina, May 15, 1791, and died at the residence of his son, in Black Hawk, Carroll county, Miss., April 6, 1871, lacking only one month and nine days of being eighty years old. His father's name was Redden Byrd, and his mother's maiden name was Ann Huggins. His parents were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church before he was born, and hence they conferred on him the name of Ira Ellis, one of the most noted Methodist ministers of their day, whose name will go down to posterity with the history of the Church. His father died when Ira was about ten years old, and left a request with his mother to place him, at a suitable age, under the guardianship of some good man who would agree to teach him some safe and profitable trade. She accordingly put him in charge of Paul Severance, his uncle by marriage, who taught him the shoemaker's trade. In his boyhood he was often the subject of deep and lasting religious impressions, but was not converted until July 7, 1810, when about nineteen years old. Soon after his accession to the household of faith, he began to take an active part in all the social meetings of the Church, and such was his fervency, zeal, and usefulness, that the impression soon became general among his classmates that he was designated by the Holy Ghost for the ministry. At the next session of the South Carolina Conference he was admitted on trial, and early in 1811 he had commenced that laborious and successful career as a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which only terminated with his life at the end of sixty years. Brother Byrd understood the doctrine of entire sanctification as it is explained by Wesley, Fletcher, Watson, and other standard writers among the fathers of the Church, and early in his ministerial life he sought and obtained the blessing of perfect love; and though after this he often felt deeply humiliated with a sense of his shortcomings, both in experience and practice, he never lost sight of the glorious vision of full salvation from all sin, and the all-pervading influence of love made perfect. His literary attainments were very limited at the start, but as soon as he entered upon the work of the minis-

try he became a constant reader and close student, especially of the standard works of his own Church. He not only read by lamp and pine-knot light, but was constantly in the habit of reading on horseback—a practice, though common in those days, of very doubtful utility. This close application to books under all circumstances brought on, when he was about twenty-nine years old, a chronic inflammation of his eyes, which terminated in a life-long dimness of vision, so that he never could read afterward. He could see about as well in daylight as most people can by moonlight. This partial but permanent loss of sight was to him the great affliction of his life. He loved to converse with the intelligent; he often had the members of his family and others to read for him, and he was a good listener when any one was preaching. If he heard a word or an idea that he thought could be turned to good account, he would immediately repeat it over and over in his mind until he memorized it. In traveling his circuits, he was constantly in the habit, at all difficult points, of noticing the shape of the ground, the position of stumps, logs, trees, etc., that he might not be misled on his next round, and such was his recollection of his landmarks that he seldom missed his way. So far as we are able to judge, had it not been for the loss of his sight, which deprived him of the use of his books and pen, he would have taken rank with the highest order of talent in the Church. Brother Byrd was married three times. On the 21st of January, 1816, he married Miss Margaret McRae, by which marriage he had seven children. His wife having died, he was again married in 1830, to Miss Ataline C. Terry, of Claibourne county, Miss. By his second marriage he had twelve children. Of these nineteen children, thirteen had preceded him to the home of the blessed. After the death of his second wife, he married Mrs. Rachel Marshall, a lady of suitable age, and every way qualified to make him an agreeable companion in the evening of life. Of the sixty-one years he spent in the gospel ministry, the first two were spent in the South Carolina Conference, and fifty-nine in what has since been the Mississippi Conference. Of these numerous years he was twenty-nine on the effective roll, local four, supernumerary one, without an appointment at his own request two, and superannuated twenty-five. Until within the last few years, his superannuation was not from any want of physical ability to preach the gospel, but was the result of long-continued domestic afflictions, and the dimness of his vision, with chronic inflammation of the eyes. Otherwise he was a remarkably stout man. In person he was not tall, but square-built, heavy, and unusually muscular. His head was large and well-balanced, his nose aquiline, and the contour of his face indicated great energy and perseverance, but withal his countenance was the reflected image of universal benevolence. Brother Byrd was truly an apostolic preacher. He was sound in doctrine;

systematic in the arrangement of his sermons; his ideas presented themselves to the mind of the hearer like mountain scenery to the eye; his language was chaste and appropriate, his voice natural, but full and strong; and, above all, his heart, filled with the love of God and the souls of men, and all alive to the vast interests of both time and eternity, made many of his sermons truly overwhelming. For several years past it was evident that he was gracefully and hopefully descending to the tomb. He became afflicted with asthma and dropsy of the chest. Within the last year he suffered immensely at times, especially from paroxysms of asthma. On one occasion last year, as he lay gasping for breath, and himself and all around thought him dying, it flashed on his mind like a flood of glory that here his long pilgrimage would end—that the final hour had come, and he would soon realize the hopes of more than sixty years. The thought was overpowering. He felt that his triumph in death was complete. He began to praise God aloud, when the excitement of the moment and the exertion of loudly praising God for final victory, dissolved the deadly stricture on his lungs, and he was soon on his feet again. For the last five months he was mostly confined to his room, and needed constant attention. During this long and painful confinement he was often very happy, and had many seasons of holy joy and triumph. At his request, the Rev. K. A. Jones, the pastor of his church, with a few friends, kept up a weekly prayer-meeting in his room, at which the venerable patriarch and his aged wife were often filled with ecstatic joy. A few days before his death there was a dropsical deposit on the brain, which to some extent paralyzed his mental faculties, but whenever aroused he would exclaim: "Come, Lord Jesus, and come quickly!" Often during his long and painful illness he expressed a fear that he might become too anxious to depart and be with Christ, to be consistent with perfect patience and resignation to the will of God. But, notwithstanding these occasional fears, his patience seemed to have become perfect. It was a beautiful afternoon, when, in the presence of the Rev. William P. Barton, his Presiding Elder, and another friend, he quietly breathed his last, and his spirit departed to be ever with the Lord. On the following day his funeral sermon was preached to weeping hundreds, who mourned as for a father dead, by Brother Barton, and his remains were deposited in the village cemetery to await the resurrection of the just.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except R. A. Roach, whose case was referred to his Presiding Elder.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Holly Springs District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Holly Springs Station.....	153	.....	1
Holly Springs Circuit.....	180	.....	.....
Byhalia and New Salem Station.....	206	.....	.....
Byhalia Circuit.....	144	.....	1
Marshall.....	303	.....	3
Early Grove.....	125	.....	1
Lamar.....	198	.....	3
Salem.....	210	.....	1
Hickory Flat.....	256	.....	2
Cornersville.....	275	.....	2
	2080	.....	14

Hernando District.

Hernando and Cold Water.....	161	.....	2
Hernando Circuit.....	215	.....	4
Wesley.....	147	.....	2
Harmony.....	396	.....	2
Sardis and Shiloh.....	197	.....	.....
Como and Fredonia.....	57	.....	.....
Senatobia.....	239	.....	.....
Cockrum.....	404	.....	3
Chulahoma.....	426	.....	2
Tyro.....	212	.....	1
	2454	.....	16

Iuka District.

Iuka Station.....	135	.....	2
Iuka Circuit.....	453	.....	2
Corinth Station.....	170	.....	1
Corinth Circuit.....	322	.....	7
Rienzi and Booneville.....	162	.....	1
Kossuth.....	420	.....	2
Carolina.....	356	.....	5
Jonesboro.....	298	.....	.....
Ripley.....	479	.....	7
	2795	.....	27

Verona District.

Verona Station.....	130	.....	1
Lee.....	293	.....	6
Pontotoc.....	313	.....	1
New Albany.....	191	.....	1
Baldwyn.....	266	.....	6
Saltillo.....	303	.....	4
Marietta.....	275	.....	6
Bay Springs Mission.....	290	.....	2
Fulton.....	419	.....	6
Okolona Station.....	72	.....	1
Richmond.....	427	.....	.....
Okolona Circuit.....	402	.....	6
	3381	.....	40

Columbus District.

Columbus Station.....	216	.....	1
Columbus City Mission.....	42	.....	.....
Columbus Circuit.....	339	.....	2
Vinton.....	151	.....	3
West Point Station.....	100	.....	2
Aberdeen Station.....	156	.....	2
Chickasaw.....	604	.....	2
Line Creek.....	287	.....	1
Athens.....	589	.....	2
Houston.....	475	.....	5
	2959	.....	20

Macon District.

Macon Station.....	129	.....	.....
Brooksville.....	175	.....	.....
Crawfordsville.....	155	.....	.....
Macon Circuit.....	275	.....	3
Starkville Station.....	163	.....	1

Macon District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Plattsburg.....	300	.....	2
Starkville.....	74	.....	.....
Louisville.....	385	.....	4
	1656	.....	12

Grenada District.

Grenada Station.....	118
Water Valley Station.....	271	.....	3
Water Valley Circuit.....	755	.....	3
Panola.....	535	.....	4
Coffeeville.....	368	.....	2
Charleston.....	250	.....	2
Calhoun.....	460	.....	7
Oxford Station.....	68	.....	.....
Oxford Circuit.....	629	.....	4
Lafayette Springs.....	440	.....	5
Carrollton.....	303	.....	2
	4197	.....	32

Yazoo District.

Black Hawk.....	525	.....	1
Lexington.....	150	.....	.....
Durant.....	180	.....	2
Richland.....	181	.....	1
Greenwood.....	53	.....	.....
McNutt.....	.....	.....	.....
Winona.....	440	.....	6
Vaiden.....	546	.....	1
Kosciusko.....	247	.....	2
Lobuteha.....	.....	.....	.....
Attala.....	229	.....	2
French Camps.....	375	.....	4
Bellefontaine.....	321	.....	2
	3047	.....	21

Greenville District.

Greenville and Lake Lee.....	46	.....	1
Deer Creek.....	49	.....	.....
Indian Bayou.....	152	.....	.....
Bolivar.....	.....	.....	.....
Beulah and Concordia.....	142	.....	.....
Friar's Point and Clarksdale.....	40	.....	1
Magnolia.....	81	.....	.....
Austin and Trotter's Landing.....	13	.....	.....
Cassida Mission.....	84	.....	1
	607	.....	3

Recapitulation.

Holly Springs District.....	2080	.....	14
Hernando.....	2454	.....	16
Iuka.....	2795	.....	27
Verona.....	3381	.....	40
Columbus.....	2959	.....	20
Macon.....	1656	.....	12
Grenada.....	4197	.....	32
Yazoo.....	3047	.....	21
Greenville.....	607	.....	3
Total this year.....	23,176	.....	185
Total last year.....	21,757	.....	190
Increase.....	1,419	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
998.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
2122.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
233.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1190.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
9293.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3050.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2332 30.

Which has been applied for the benefit of the superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of deceased preachers.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$2421 75.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Corinth, Miss.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Philip Tuggle, P. E.

Holly Springs Station, William Shepherd.

Holly Springs Circuit, Enos B. Foust.

Byhalia and New Salem Station, Daniel L. Cogdell.

Byhalia Circuit, Joshua K. Morris.

Marshall, Miles H. Ford.

Early Grove, Robert P. Mitchell.

Lamar, Samuel W. Miller.

Salem, Thomas G. Freeman.

Hickory Flat, Peter M. Marmon.

Cornersville, Elias Jackson.

Marshall Female Institute, Lorenzo Lea, President.

Byhalia Female Institute, Pleasant J. Eckles, President.

HERNANDO DISTRICT.

Joseph H. Brooks, P. E.

Hernando and Coldwater Station, John F. Truslow.

Hernando Circuit, Tilmon Page.

Wesley, to be supplied (by R. M. Gwyn).

Longtown, Thomas P. Ramsey.

Sardis and Davis Chapel Station, Ferdinand S. Petway.

Como and Fredonia Station, Henry C. Morehead.

Senatobia, Jesse W. Luter.

Cockrum, Thomas W. Dye.

Chulahoma, Robert A. Neblett, Joseph J. Brooks.

Tyro, J. S. Herring.

IUKA DISTRICT.

Ephraim E. Hamilton, P. E.

Iuka Station, John C. Lowe, J. Johnson, Sup.

Iuka Circuit, Anthony T. Scruggs, jr.

Corinth Station, Theodore F. Brewer.
 Corinth Circuit, Walton J. Reeves.
 Rienzi and Booneville Station, J. W. Honnoll,
 W. E. Ellis, Sup.
 Carolina, J. W. Lowrance, M. L. Martin, Sup.
 Kossuth, Hudson D. Howell.
 Jonesborough, to be supplied (by A. W. Gibson).
 Enon Mission, Benj. D. Brown.
 Ripley, Ben. H. Bounds.
 Marietta, Benj. W. Stubbs, J. B. Price, Sup.
 Bay Springs Mission, John McElhannon.
 Iuka Female Institute, Joseph E. Douglass,
 President.

VERONA DISTRICT.

Joseph B. Stone, P. E.

Verona Station, Thomas C. Wier.
 Lee, Thomas L. Duke.
 Baldwin, Thomas Cameron.
 New Albany, Henry E. Smith.
 Pontotoc, E. H. Moon.
 Okolona Station, John F. Markham.
 Okolona Circuit, Thomas J. Lowry, R. W.
 Yancy, Sup.
 Fulton, Samuel C. Stone.
 Richmond, James A. Peebles.
 Saltillo, Kinchen Adams.
 Verona Female Institute, T. C. Wier, President.
 Agent for Verona Female Institute, M. M.
 Dunn.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

Thomas Y. Ramsey, P. E.

Columbus Station, Joseph B. Cottrell.
 Caledonia, Leroy Massingale.
 Athens, John T. M. Gregory.
 Aberdeen Station, Samuel R. Brewer.
 Vinton, J. T. Cunningham, Thos. G. Randle.
 West Point Station, John Barcroft.
 Houston, J. P. Dancer, A. F. Foster.
 Pala Alto, G. D. Wade.
 Line Creek, W. R. Rainey.

MACON DISTRICT.

Archibald C. Allen, P. E.

Macon Station, J. D. Cameron.
 Shuqualak, Zachariah Baize.
 Brooksville, O. P. Thomas.
 Crawfordsville, R. G. Porter.
 Mayhew, Lorenzo D. Worsham.
 Lagrange, J. G. Carlisle.
 Plattsburg, J. O. Woodward.
 Louisville, A. W. Langley.
 Perkinsville, B. F. Morris.
 Starkville Station, J. L. Futrell.
 Bellfontain, W. C. Green, Thomas W. Castles,
 Sup.

GRENADA DISTRICT.

Amos Kendall, P. E.

Grenada Station, John W. Boswell.
 Water Valley Station, Wm. S. Harrison, B. B.
 Risenhoover, Sup.
 Water Valley Mission, to be supplied (by J.
 M. Barton).
 Oxford Station, John J. Wheat.
 Oxford Circuit, Joseph W. Poston, A. A. Houston, Sup.
 Lafayette Springs, H. H. Thacker.
 Banner, W. B. Mitchell.
 Calhoun, John M. Dunn, C. L. Bates.
 Grenada Circuit, James M. Hampton.
 Coffeeville, Benj. B. Brown.
 Charleston, James W. Bates.
 Panola, Anderson B. Fly.

YAZOO DISTRICT.

Wm. P. Barton, P. E.

Black Hawk, Kenneth A. Jones.
 Richland, Ransom J. Jones.
 Durant, G. W. Brown.
 Winona, A. M. Barrington.
 Lobutch Mission, to be supplied (by Joab
 Scarbrough).
 Kosciusko and Bethel Station, Abner P. Sage.
 Attala, George W. Bachman.
 French Camps, Asbury R. Hines.
 Greenwood and McNutt Station, to be supplied
 (by Jacob D. Briggs).
 Lexington, J. D. Newsom.
 Vaiden, T. C. Parish.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

Jas. W. Knott, P. E.

Greenville Station, Thos. A. S. Adams.
 Leota and Lake Lee Station, C. J. Nugent.
 Indian Bayou, J. D. Murff.
 Deer Creek, Felix G. Hocutt.
 Lake Bolivar, James M. Boon.
 Concordia Station, Daniel O. Hughes, F. A.
 Owen, Sup.
 Friar's Point Station, to be supplied.
 Swan Lake, Hiram R. Caldwell.
 Tunica Mission, to be supplied.
 Cassida Mission, to be supplied (by Z. K.
 Flynn).

Turner P. Holman, transferred to Memphis
 Conference, and appointed to Bartlett Circuit.
 John R. Peeples, transferred to Memphis
 Conference, and appointed to Bolivar Station.
 J. D. Bush, transferred to Memphis Conference,
 and appointed to Dyersburg Station.
 John Little, transferred to Memphis Conference.
 Irl R. Hicks, transferred to St. Louis Conference.
 P. A. Johnston, transferred to Mississippi
 Conference.
 W. T. J. Sullivan, transferred to Tennessee
 Conference.
 Isaac Ebbert, transferred to Little Rock
 Conference, and appointed to Lonoke Circuit.

15.—MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TRENTON, TENN., *November 15-21, 1871.*BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; W. C. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John H. Scruggs, William O. Lanier, Henry M. Sears, Sampson T. Lane, William W. B. Littlejohn, Samuel B. Love, Robert A. Sawrie, Thomas E. Hall, Thomas J. McGill, William Hay, William M. Baskerville. 11.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James W. Atkinson, Junius P. Walker, Thomas F. Sanders, James C. Hooks. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

David J. Austin. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Banks M. Barrow, John G. Glasgow, Thos. R. Luter. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Sterling B. Adams, Richard E. Graves. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Warner Moore, Ferdinand S. Petway, Emsley B. Plummer, from North Mississippi Conference; John C. Reed, from Louisiana Conference. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Warner T. Bolling, Benjamin F. Blackmon, Reuben R. Nelson, Jarrett S. Renshaw, William M. Patterson, William B. Quinn. 6.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Alexander P. Waterfield, Elijah Witt, Elisha D. L. Tims, Daniel Smith, Isaac B. Day, James R. Williams, Thomas D. Eldridge, Jonathan D. Stewart. 8.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John G. Tate, Jesse Harris, Elisha D. L. Tims, Alexander P. Waterfield, Elijah Witt, Isaac B. Day, Daniel Smith, James R. Williams, Thomas D. Eldridge. 9.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

David R. S. Rosebrough. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

David R. S. Rosebrough. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Thomas L. Orgain, Abraham B. Jones, Alpheus M. Chadwick, Martin Shikle, James R. Dycus, Emerson P. Randle, Benjamin F. Wallace, William P. Lindsey, Thomas R. Luter, John J. Smith. 10.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Thomas L. Orgain, Alpheus M. Chadwick, John J. Smith, Martin Shikle, Thomas R. Luter. 5.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

F. A. Wilkerson. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Robert V. Taylor, John T. Baskerville, Isaac N. Reeves, David C. McCutchen, George B. Allen, William J. Mahon, J. C. Crews, Thomas C. Ellis, Manliff D. Robinson, Archibald L. Hunsaker, Thomas R. Luter, David M. K. Collins, Benjamin Peeples, William B. Quinn. 14.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

George W. D. Harris, William D. Scott, J. M. Major, Elias Tidwell, Jeremiah Moss, Robert H. Burns, Clement C. Glover, Thomas J. Neely, James W. Mathis, Henry Bell. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Memphis District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Memphis:			
Second Street Church	503	.....	2
Central Church.....	140	.....	1
Hernando Street.....	330	.....	1
Saffarans Street, Greenwood, and City Mission	92	.....	1
Springdale and Bethel.....	133	.....	4
Bartlett Circuit.....	188	.....	1
Germantown Circuit.....	195	.....	4
Collierville Circuit	224	.....	2

Memphis District (continued).

Paris District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Macon Circuit.....	291	.....	2
Shelby Mission.....	84	.....	.....
Lagrange and Middleton.....	423	.....	3
	2603	.....	21

Somerville District.

Somerville Station.....	92	.....	.....
Whiteville Circuit.....	382	.....	4
Bolivar Station.....	108	.....	2
Embury Circuit.....	350	.....	5
Mount Zion Circuit.....	512	.....	4
Covington and Tabernacle.....	330	.....	2
Wesley Circuit.....	240	.....	2
Clopton and Concordia.....	150	.....	.....
Dancyville Circuit.....	320	.....	2
	2493	.....	21

Jackson District.

Jackson Station.....	319	3
East Jackson Station.....	105	.....	1
Jackson Circuit.....	750	.....	5
Humboldt and Milan.....	251	.....	2
Brownsville Station.....	296	.....	4
Denmark Circuit.....	290	.....	2
Tabernacle Circuit.....	269	.....	3
Miflin Circuit.....	184	.....	1
Pinson Circuit.....	620	.....	5
Rock Spring Circuit.....	300	.....	5
Purdy Circuit.....	484	.....	7
Adamsville Circuit.....	620	.....	8
	4488	.....	46

Trenton District.

Trenton Station.....	140	5
Trenton Circuit.....	800	.....	7
Cageville Circuit.....	331	.....	5
Friendship Circuit.....	408	.....	6
Dyersburg Station.....	92	.....	1
Dyersburg Circuit.....	541	.....	7
Kenton Circuit.....	233	.....	4
Brownsville Circuit.....	998	.....	10
Gibson Circuit.....	519	.....	4
Ashport Mission.....	86	.....	.....
	4148	.....	49

Dresden District.

Dresden Station.....	82	1
Dresden Circuit.....	798	.....	6
Hickman Station.....	102	.....	1
Hickman Circuit.....	600	.....	3
Madrid Bend Circuit.....	226	.....	4
Troy Circuit.....	572	.....	4
Union City Station.....	238	.....	3
Richland Circuit.....	850	.....	2
Boydsville Circuit.....	479	.....	6
McKenzie Circuit.....	518	.....	6
Murray Circuit.....	761	.....	9
	5226	.....	44

Paducah District.

Paducah Station.....	252	2
Paducah Circuit.....	311	.....	4
Blandville Circuit.....	185	.....	2
Columbus and Clinton.....	111	.....	2
Clinton Circuit.....	583	.....	7
Milburn Circuit.....	610	.....	4
Mayfield Station.....	172	.....	5
Benton Circuit.....	431	.....	5
Wadesboro Circuit.....	433	.....	4
Birmingham Circuit.....	359	.....	4
Briensburg Circuit.....	361	.....	5
	3708	.....	44

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Paris Station.....	130	.....	2
Paris Circuit.....	643	.....	7
McKenzie Station.....	100	.....	3
Conyersville Circuit.....	523	.....	7
Camden Circuit.....	800	.....	4
Huntingdon Circuit.....	404	.....	2
Trezevant Circuit.....	303	.....	6
Salem Circuit.....	327	.....	2
Lexington Circuit.....	449	.....	5
Morgan's Creek Circuit.....	400	.....	2
Decaturville Circuit.....	472	.....	7
Saltillo Circuit.....	610	.....	6
	5166	.....	53

Recapitulation.

Memphis District.....	2603	.....	21
Somerville ".....	2493	.....	21
Jackson ".....	4488	.....	46
Trenton ".....	4148	.....	49
Dresden ".....	5226	.....	44
Paducah ".....	3708	.....	44
Paris ".....	5166	.....	53
Total this year.....	27,832	.....	278
Total last year.....	25,177	30	261
Increase.....	2,655		17
Decrease.....		30	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
804.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
2515.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
275.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1861.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
13,541.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$1400.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1438 15.

Applied for the benefit of the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$4038 85.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Somerville, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MEMPHIS DISTRICT.

A. H. Thomas, P. E.

Memphis:
First Church, E. C. Slater.

Memphis:

Central, L. D. Mullins.
 Hernando Street, G. Jones.
 Saffarans Street, Greenwood, and City Mission, W. M. Patterson, W. M. Baskerville.
 Springdale and Mt. Vernon Station, D. R. S. Rosebrough.
 Nonconnah Mission, T. P. Davidson, one to be supplied.
 Germantown, to be supplied.
 Collierville, T. Joyner, B. M. Burrow.
 Lagrange, M. D. Fly, J. H. Scruggs.
 Macon, T. L. Boswell.
 { Oakland, S. T. Lane.
 { Shelby Mission, W. M. McFerrin.
 Bartlett, T. P. Holman, one to be supplied.
 State Female College, Charles Collins.
 Editor *Western Methodist*, W. C. Johnson.
 Editor *Christian Index*, Samuel Watson.

SOMERVILLE DISTRICT.

John Moss, P. E.

Somerville Station, W. D. F. Hafford.
 { Bolivar Station, J. R. Peeples.
 { Middleburg Mission, W. W. B. Littlejohn.
 Whiteville, Warner Moore, one to be supplied (by D. A. Ross).
 Dancyville, A. R. Wilson, R. V. Taylor, Sup.
 Stanton, M. H. Cullum, J. T. Baskerville, Sup.
 Braden, A. C. Smith.
 Covington and Tabernacle Station, G. B. Baskerville.
 Mount Zion, C. J. Mauldin.
 Embury, J. A. Fife.
 Somerville Female Institute, W. T. Plummer.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

W. T. Harris, P. E.

Jackson:
 Jackson Station, James A. Heard.
 Paine Chapel, B. F. Blackmon.
 Jackson Circuit, W. B. Seward.
 Trenton Station, Armistead L. Pritchett.
 Brownsville Station, S. W. Moore.
 Denmark, G. K. Brooks.
 Tabernacle, B. A. Hayes.
 Mifflin, Thomas Taylor.
 Pinson, R. G. Rainey.
 Rock Spring, J. S. Renshaw.
 Purdy, J. R. Sykes, I. N. Reeves, Sup.
 Adamsville, T. F. Sanders.
 Memphis Conference Female Institute, A. W. Jones.
 Andrew College, J. T. Baskerville, Agent.

HUMBOLDT DISTRICT.

W. H. Leigh, P. E.

Humboldt Station, W. T. Bolling.
 Trenton Circuit, F. Bynum, D. C. McCutchen, Sup.
 Cageville, Nathan Sullivan.
 Friendship, W. O. Lanier, G. B. Allen, Sup.
 Dyersburg Station, J. D. Bush.

Dyersburg Circuit, H. B. Avery, W. J. Mahon, Sup.
 Kenton, N. P. Ramsey.
 Durhamville, J. M. Scott.
 Yorkville, M. M. Taylor.
 { Ripley, James Perry.
 { Ashport, to be supplied (by W. A. Yancey).

DRESDEN DISTRICT.

J. H. Witt, P. E.

Dresden Station, J. W. Atkinson.
 Dresden Circuit, H. B. Covington.
 Hickman Station, S. B. Adams.
 Hickman Circuit, J. G. Pirtle.
 Madrid Bend, W. T. C. Young.
 Union City Station, T. L. Beard.
 Richland, Simpson Weaver.
 { Cottage Grove, E. B. Plummer.
 { Boydville Mission, to be supplied (by J. C. Poyner).
 McKenzie Circuit, R. E. Graves, J. C. Crews, Sup.
 McKenzie and Milan Station, J. E. Beck, T. C. Ellis, Sup.
 Murray, J. G. Glasgow.
 Troy, J. M. Spence, M. D. Robinson, Sup.
 Obion Mission, W. H. Frost.

PADUCAH DISTRICT.

R. H. Mahon, P. E.

Paducah Station, J. H. Evans.
 Paducah Circuit, J. C. Reed.
 Blandville, B. H. Bishop.
 Columbus Station, J. C. Hooks.
 Clinton, J. M. Flatt, S. B. Love.
 Palestine, W. W. Faucett.
 Mayfield and Milburn Station, B. F. Peeples, A. L. Hunsaker, Sup.
 Benton, J. V. Fly.
 Wadesboro, R. A. Sawrie.
 Birmingham, to be supplied (by James Burnham).
 Briensburg, S. A. Mason.

PARIS DISTRICT.

J. G. Acton, P. E.

Paris Station, S. B. Suratt.
 Paris Circuit, W. A. Cook.
 Conyersville, R. A. Umstead, T. R. Luter, Sup.
 Camden, T. J. McGill, D. M. K. Collins, Sup.
 Huntingdon, J. P. Walker, B. Peeples, Sup.
 Trezevant, T. E. Hall, W. B. Quinn, Sup.
 Salem, John Randle.
 Lexington, R. S. Swift.
 Morgan's Creek, W. Hay.
 Decaturville, R. R. Nelson.
 Saltillo, H. M. Sears.
 Sunday-school Agent, J. T. C. Collins.

F. S. Petway, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

Edgar Orgain, transferred to White River Conference, and appointed to Batesville Station.

16.—TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LEBANON, TENN., October 4-9, 1871.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; ROBERT A. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Henry J. Ivie, William A. Gill, William B. Woodward, Thomas H. Woodward, William M. Rippey, William J. Wright, John M. Jordan, John H. Chambliss, Benjamin F. Jackson, George D. Byrne, John A. McFerrin, John O. Blanton, Andrew A. Allison, Samuel A. Feltner, Jacob C. Mials. 15.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thomas O. Summers, Orville G. Halliburton, Lacy Boone, George S. Byrom, Payton A. Gowell, Joseph B. Erwin, John S. McGee, John W. Hanner, Rufus E. Travis, Jno. R. Reagan, Benjamin F. Stone, John W. Rooker, Ephraim W. White. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Wm. J. Hale, Sterling A. Ellis, Willis M. Doyle, Alanson Brown, John B. Jordan, Thos. B. Fisher, James W. Hill, Robert P. Roland, Joseph H. Strayhorn, De Witt C. Miles, Andrew J. Ford, Henry S. Ledbetter. 12.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John Rains, Robert H. Rogers. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

John H. Nichols (from North Alabama Conference). 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Henry D. Hogan, Albert T. Goodloe, Adolphus M. Ezell, Samuel L. Orman, James G. Hinson, William B. Lowery. 6.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas O. Summers, Lacy Boone, George S. Byrom, Jno. W. Hanner, Rufus E. Travis, Benjamin F. Stone, William J. Hale, Willis M. Doyle, Robt. P. Roland, Alanson Brown. 10.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Lacy Boone, George S. Byrom, Jno. W. Hanner, jr., Rufus E. Travis, Benj. F. Stone, Wm. J. Hale, Willis M. Doyle, Robt. P. Rowland, Alanson Brown. 9.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Elijah Dickens, Geo. D. Byrne, Andrew A. Allison, Geo. M. Bruce, H. M. Apple, Jno. K. Ensey, Thomas Kirby, William Seaton, John P. Funk, Joseph Bradshaw, Wm. J. Wright,

Joseph W. Marshall, Taswell T. Haley, James M. Swift, Christopher C. Cocke, David W. Stack, Henry A. Sanders. 17.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Henry A. Sanders, Elijah Dickens, George D. Byrne, Andrew A. Allison, Geo. M. Bruce, Henry M. Apple, Thomas Kirby, William J. Wright. 8.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Thomas B. Fisher, Sterling A. Ellis, Thos. H. Hinson, Robt. P. Gray, Thos. J. Duncan, George M. Sanders, Paul C. Gaston, Albert T. Goodloe. 8.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Thomas B. Fisher, Sterling A. Ellis, Thos. H. Hinson, Robt. P. Gray, Thos. J. Duncan, Paul C. Gaston, Geo. M. Sanders, Albert T. Goodloe. 8.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

James B. Alloway, Joseph Bybee, David P. Armstrong, Darius J. Powell, Jacob C. Mials, John G. Smithson, Thos. L. Duncan, James M. Dulaney. 8.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

William Quall, James B. Alloway, David P. Armstrong, Darius J. Powell, Jacob C. Mials, James M. Dulaney. 6.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John T. W. Davis, J. R. Randle. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Jno. B. Jordan, A. M. Ezell, A. C. Matthews, R. A. Reagan, A. H. Reams, J. A. Walkup, W. H. Johnson, James A. Morris, E. J. Allen, C. B. Faris, J. M. Groce, Thomas B. Marks, Jas. R. McClure, Benj. H. Malone, D. H. Merryman, Wm. M. Shaw, Isaac Milner, John B. Hamilton, Wm. H. Wilkes, Geo. W. Brown, S. D. Ogburn, Z. M. Taylor, Charles Laxon, Wm. P. Warren, James M. Locke. 25.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Samuel L. Orman, John A. Jones, A. J. B. Foster, J. D. Winn, Stanford Lassiter, J. W. Tarrant, Golman Green, Thomas Madden. 8.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Adam S. Riggs. 1.

ADAM S. RIGGS was a model man. Though subject to all the infirmities of our common fallen nature, he certainly manifested fewer of its frailties than ordinarily falls to the lot of the most perfect of our species. From early childhood he was inclined to be pious. Led on by devoted parents, whose example and prayers made indelible impression on his heart, in the morning of life, by true repentance, earnest prayer, and genuine faith, he sought justifying grace and the renewal of his heart by the Holy Ghost. He was soundly converted, and knew by a happy experience the love of God in the pardon of sin, and the renewing power of the Holy Ghost. Like Samuel, he was dedicated to God from his youth; like Timothy, he was instructed in the Scriptures from his childhood. Thus adopted into the family of Christ, he joined himself to the visible Church, and addressed himself earnestly to the work of his personal salvation. He made regular progress in religion, and soon became an ornament to the Church. No man in our times maintained a higher character for honesty, uprightness, deep and uniform piety, than Adam S. Riggs. As husband, father, citizen, neighbor, Christian, where shall we find his superior? His mind was well-balanced. His judgment was sound, his reason clear, his perception quick, and his powers of discrimination strong. His mind, like his body, had a completeness not often surpassed. His early advantages were limited to a plain English education, yet, with a mind so well poised and so thoroughly disciplined, he made rapid progress, great improvement, and acquired a large fund of theological lore and general knowledge. As a minister of the gospel he was evangelical, faithful, popular, and abundantly useful. Though not what the world calls a "brilliant" preacher, yet he was sound, clear, pungent, and at times powerful. He was a preacher who was always fresh, always acceptable. In the city, in the country, with the rich, the educated, and the illiterate, he was alike popular. He never failed to give more than satisfaction. His Conference, by a resolution, requested each member to prepare a brief sketch of himself, and file it with the secretary. Brother Riggs, always prompt in the discharge of duty, penned the following brief outline: "Adam Springs Riggs was born in Williamson county, Tenn., near Riggs's Cross Roads, June 6, 1816. His parents, David and Sophia Riggs, moved to Bedford county during his childhood. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and gave him such opportunities as the Church afforded in that day and time. In answer to the prayer of a pious father and mother, and through the instrumentality of the Rev. Charles B. Faris, of the Tennessee Conference, he embraced religion while alone at prayer in the secret grove, in Bedford county, Tenn., near Shelbyville, on Sunday evening, the 19th of June, 1836. The next Saturday, June 25, 1836, he was received into the Methodist Church, by the Rev. Jesse Hord, then of the Tennessee, now of one of the Texas Con-

ferences. He was licensed to preach by the Rev. F. G. Ferguson, Presiding Elder, at Center Camp-ground, Bedford county, Sept. 21, 1839. He was received on trial in the Tennessee Conference, at Nashville, in the autumn of 1839, and appointed to the Rock Creek Circuit, as junior preacher, with Gerard Van Buren in charge. In 1840 he was sent to the Bedford Circuit, with Joseph Smith in charge; in 1841, to the Stone's River Circuit, with Elbert J. Allen in charge. In 1842 he was stationed in Columbia. In 1843 he was stationed at College Hill Church, Nashville, and alternated in the pulpit, during the year, with Philip P. Neely, who was stationed at McKendree. In 1844 he was appointed Presiding Elder of the Dover District. On March 5, 1845, he was married to Miss Sarah M. Hurt, of Maury county, Tenn., and in the fall of 1845 was stationed in Clarksville. In 1846 he was stationed in Huntsville, Ala. In 1847 he returned to Huntsville. In 1848 he was stationed at McKendree Church, in Nashville; in 1849, stationed at Franklin; in 1850, returned to Franklin; in 1851, stationed at Lebanon; in 1852, stationed at Pulaski; in 1853, appointed Presiding Elder of the Murfreesboro District; in 1854, returned to the Murfreesboro District; in 1855, appointed Presiding Elder of the Lebanon District; in 1856, stationed at McKendree Church, Nashville; in 1857, appointed Presiding Elder of the Nashville District; and in 1858, 1859, and 1860, returned to the Nashville District. In 1861 he was appointed Presiding Elder of the Murfreesboro District, where he remained eight years, the Bishops not counting the four years of the war in their appointments. In 1859 he was appointed Presiding Elder of the McMinnville District." At his late Conference he was reappointed Presiding Elder of the McMinnville District. Brother Riggs served the Church as an itinerant preacher thirty-one years. Nearly all of his fields of labor were in the most important portions of his large Conference. He was placed in charge of heavy stations and large Districts; but he always proved himself equal to his position. He was an able and judicious officer of the Church, and administered discipline without partiality or prejudice. He was a wise counselor, and a friend to the young preachers, especially to those in his own District. In his hospitable home they always found a welcome, and received many tokens of affection and Christian love. He was honored by his brethren, and was chosen several times as a delegate to the General Conference. He was modest, firm, and faithful in every place to which he was called by the Church. He never flinched; he never wavered. Sometimes he served the Church in much bodily affliction; but on he went, constrained by the love of Christ. He had a comfortable home, a loving and beloved family, but these hindered him not. He counted not his life dear to him, so that he might finish his course, and win souls to Christ. His last sickness was protracted. Al-

ternating between hope and fear, his friends watched through long days and weary nights—now thinking him better, and then apprehending the worst. The struggle was long and fearful, and finally the Christian soldier, who had conquered in many a battle, fell a victim, and lies before us as one of death's trophies. But, thanks be to God, he shall live again! This mortal shall put on immortality, and this corruptible shall put on incorruption. Then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory." Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. His last sermon on his regular work was from Rev. vii. 13, 14. His last two sermons were funeral sermons—both from the same text—2 Samuel xii. 23: "But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me." How appropriate! Death and heaven! Brother T. B. Fisher, one of our young ministers, who is a relative of the family, and was an inmate of Brother Riggs's house, says: "Brother Riggs was taken sick on Monday night, at the Conference which convened at Pulaski, Oct. 5, 1870. He suffered intensely; was delirious part of the time; recovered enough to return home on Saturday the 15th; was affected with stupor the following day or two. Tuesday night he became much worse. Wednesday I called at his house, *en route* for my appointment, Trinity; found him quite low. When I entered his room he beckoned me to his bedside; said he was glad to see me; that he had made his will; had said all he wished to say; thought he might get well, but it was all right with him; that I must not leave him until he died or began to get well. He talked about death as a thing indifferent; seemed happy all the time. These were constant expressions: 'Bless the Lord!' 'Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!' His physician advised against conversation, which restraint he could not well bear. He said 'volumes were constantly passing through his mind, and he was not allowed to express them;' 'that he had visions and views of Jesus and glory, such as he had never expected on earth.' He dwelt upon the fullness of the gospel of Christ; said to me: 'You need not be afraid to

Preach him to all, and cry in death,
Behold—behold the Lamb!

Speaking of the preachers, he said: 'If there is a body of men on earth I love, they are Methodist preachers; with them I could be chained to the stake—could endure any thing.' He mentioned several by name—McFerrin, Green, Hanner, Summers, Hunter, and others—said: 'Tell my brethren of the Tennessee Conference, there is not a man of them but I love; tell them that I passed away as clearly as I could under the circumstances, not being allowed to talk.' Between four and five o'clock one morning during his sickness he thought himself dying; his family and friends were assembled around his bed, when he called for

Bishop McKendree's farewell song, 'All is well.' No one knew it but his wife, who was weeping as though her heart would break. She told him she could not sing. We sung a few stanzas of the hymn, 'O sing to me of heaven.' He again asked us to sing, 'All is well'—said if we could not he would sing it himself. She commenced—her tremulous voice rose like the sound of a broken harp. In the second stanza he joined her; a smile of triumph illumined his face as they sung:

There's not a cloud that doth arise
To hide my Saviour from my eyes;
I soon shall mount the upper skies;

and while she, utterly overcome by emotion, ceased to sing, he finished—'All is well!' 'All is well!' It was the most moving scene I ever beheld—a wife singing the triumph of her dying husband! During the day he called his family to him, one by one, gave them his dying counsel and his last blessing; his language seemed to me as eloquent as heaven's own dialect. I cannot forbear repeating some things that were spoken. To his wife he said: 'You have been to me all that a wife could be to a husband; keep the children together; send them to school; train them for God.' One sentence deserves a green and flowery immortality: 'You have never hindered me from going to an appointment.' To his oldest daughter, an affectionate, fragile creature, whom he called the idol of his heart, he said: 'Sue, you'll be the last to leave me, I reckon, and the first to greet me on the other shore—live religious, and meet me in heaven.' Thus he talked to each one of them, and when he came to Kelly, the youngest, a little girl of five brief summers, he said: 'Now bring my babe, and lay her in my bosom.' When brought, he folded her in his arms, saying: 'Kelly, to me you are the sweetest gift God ever gave; be a good girl, mind your ma, love your brothers and sisters, and may the blessings of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be yours forever! Now kiss me again, again, again, again, again.' To his son-in-law he said: 'John, I gave you the idol of my heart. I make this request: I want you to join the Church with her, live a Christian, and meet me in heaven.' He then called his neighbors who were present, and spoke to each one of them, encouraging those who were Christians to live religious, and exhorting those who were not to become so. He then said to me: 'O that I could, like Samson, slay more at my death than in my life.' He still lingered on the shore for several days, although he said he had entered the cold waters of death. Dr. McFerrin says: "I reached his home on Thursday night. He was sinking, but perfectly rational. He knew me. He reached out his hand, grasped mine with eagerness, and in a whisper said, 'I am almost gone, but all is right!'" From time to time he assured me that all was right, all clear. Several times with a loud whisper he praised the Lord. I said to him, 'Brother Riggs, St. Paul said, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is

gain;" it is better to be absent from the body and present with the Lord; nevertheless, for the sake of the Church he was willing to remain. You are willing yet to live and labor, if the will of God be so.' He said, 'Yes.' 'But if God call you, are you willing to die?' 'Yes,' he responded. 'Glorious death!' He continued in this frame of mind till eleven o'clock Saturday night, Oct. 29, when he quietly fell on sleep." His funeral took place in Shelbyville on Monday, October 31. All business houses were closed, and a solemn stillness, broken only by the knell which sounded forth from the steeples of all the churches, attested the profound grief of the entire community. A special train was sent by the superintendent of the railroad to take a large company from Nashville who wished to show their respect for their former pastor and friend. The remains, by particular request, were conveyed to the Presbyterian Church—the largest in Shelbyville—the *cortege* being the most imposing ever seen in that city. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. Many ministers of different denominations were in attendance; the Rev. Mr. Bryson, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Drs. Young and Kelley, and Felix R. Hill, assisted in the service. Solemn dirges were sung by the choir, and a discourse was delivered by the devoted friend of the deceased, the Rev. Dr. McFerrin, upon Psalm xxxvii. 37: the discourse was highly appropriate, and produced a powerful effect on the vast audience. After its delivery, the remains were conveyed to the cemetery, and deposited by the side of those of his first Presiding Elder, the Rev. Samuel S. Moody—one of the noblest men that ever lived and died. There they lie, sleeping together sweetly until the voice of the archangel and the trump of God shall wake them from their long repose. What a greeting when they shall rise together at the resurrection of the just! The solemnities at the grave were performed by the Masons, of whose fraternity he was a worthy member.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Nashville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Nashville:			
McKendree Station.....	748	.....	3
West Nashville Miss. (no report)...	.....	.....	.....
Elm Street Station.....	430	.....	1
City Mission.....	260	.....	1
Tulip Street Station.....	275	.....	1
North Edgefield Station.....	73	.....	.....
Hobson Chapel Station.....	100	.....	4
Trinity Station.....	56	.....	1
White's Creek Circuit.....	173	.....	2
Goodlettsville Circuit.....	272	.....	3
Nashville Circuit.....	384	2	8
	2771	2	24

Lebanon District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lebanon Station.....	210	.....	1
Lebanon Circuit.....	446	.....	4
Shady Grove Circuit.....	460	18	5
Union Circuit.....	253	.....	1
Nolensville Circuit.....	463	.....	1
Mill Creek Circuit.....	296	1	7
Sumner Circuit.....	450	.....	4
Gallatin Station.....	244	.....	.....
Cairo Bend Mission.....	161	.....	1
Goose Creek Circuit.....	523	.....	4
	3506	19	28

Carthage District.

Carthage Station.....	226	6	2
Alexandria Circuit.....	320	.....	2
Statesville Mission.....	92	.....	1
Smithville Circuit.....	536	.....	2
Woodberry Circuit.....	354	.....	2
Cumberland Circuit.....	690	2	7
Sparta Station.....	100	.....	3
Sparta Circuit.....	800	10	10
Livingston Circuit.....	575	1	4
Wartrace Circuit.....	350	.....	.....
	4043	19	33

Murfreesboro District.

Murfreesboro Station.....	339	.....	2
Stone's River Circuit.....	254	.....	1
Beech Grove Circuit.....	200	.....	3
Rich Valley Circuit.....	391	.....	2
Cave Spring Circuit.....	319	.....	.....
Shelbyville Station.....	146	.....	1
Middleton Cir. & Walnut Grove Sta.	567	.....	3
Unionville Circuit.....	331	.....	.....
	2547	.....	12

McMinnville District.

McMinnville and Manchester Station	164	.....	.....
McMinnville Circuit.....	369	.....	8
Hickory Creek Circuit.....	613	.....	5
Manchester Circuit.....	576	.....	6
Winchester Station.....	114	6	1
Tullahoma and Normandy.....	143	.....	3
Bellbuckle Station.....	172	.....	.....
Bedford Circuit.....	365	.....	2
	2516	6	25

Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville Station.....	88	.....	.....
Fayetteville Circuit.....	314	.....	3
Elk River Circuit.....	317	.....	4
Pleasant Plains Circuit.....	231	.....	5
Elk River Mission.....	56	.....	1
Salem Circuit.....	403	.....	4
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	289	.....	3
Alto Circuit.....	200	.....	4
Tullahoma Circuit.....	500	12	7
Petersburg Circuit.....	470	.....	4
	2868	12	35

Pulaski District.

Pulaski Station.....	240	1	1
Cornersville Station.....	119	25	1
Mount Pisgah Circuit.....	1025	.....	4
Richland Circuit.....	646	.....	7
Prospect Circuit.....	537	.....	4
Trinity Station.....	229	.....	4
Pleasant Valley Station.....	90	.....	1
Lawrenceburg Circuit.....	221	17	3
Lynnville Circuit.....	331	.....	2
	3438	43	27

Savannah District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Savannah Circuit.....	433	.....	5
Loweryville Circuit.....	275	.....	5
Mount Zion Circuit.....	263	.....	7
Shoal Circuit.....	271	.....	6
Henryville Circuit.....	408	.....	4
Swan Circuit.....	312	7	4
Tennessee River Mission.....	136	2	3
Wayne Circuit.....	377	18	5
Beaver Dam Mission.....	136	.....	1
	2611	27	40

Columbia District.

Columbia Station.....	264	.....	1
Spring Hill Station.....	102	.....	.....
Williamsport and Nebo Station.....	165	.....	6
Duck River Circuit.....	349	.....	1
Culleoka Station.....	137	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant Circuit.....	202	.....	1
	1219	.....	9

Franklin District.

Franklin Station.....	288	3
Harpeth Station.....	198	.....	.....
Harpeth Circuit.....	378	.....	3
Douglass Circuit.....	276	.....	.....
Smith's Spring Circuit.....	224	.....	2
Wesley Circuit.....	178	.....	2
Chapel Hill Circuit.....	374	1	1
Spring Hill Circuit.....	255	.....	5
Bethesda Circuit.....	320	.....	2
	2491	1	18

Centerville District.

Centerville Circuit.....	451	1	1
Santa Fe Circuit.....	206	.....	1
Lick Creek Mission.....	50	.....	1
Pine River Circuit.....	311	.....	1
Yellow Creek Circuit.....	427	.....	9
Dover Circuit.....	332	.....	2
White Oak Circuit.....	285	.....	3
Ebenezer and Liberty.....	295	.....	3
Waverley Circuit.....	192	.....	3
Linden Circuit.....	249	.....	2
	2888	1	26

Clarksville District.

Clarksville Station.....	308	.....	1
New Providence Station.....	41	.....	.....
South Clarksville Station.....	28	.....	.....
Cedar Hill Station.....	432	5	3
Montgomery Circuit.....	478	.....	5
Dickson Circuit.....	488	.....	6
Antioch Circuit.....	462	.....	2
Asbury Circuit.....	695	.....	5
Lineport Circuit.....	401	.....	1
Springfield Station.....	120	.....	.....
Salem Station.....	70	9	1
	3523	14	24

McKendree District.

Red River Circuit.....	450	.....	2
Pleasant Grove Circuit.....	237	.....	2
Fountain Head Circuit.....	287	.....	1
Summit Circuit.....	265	.....	1
Lafayette Circuit.....	334	.....	3
Ashland Mission.....	190	.....	2
Shiloh Circuit.....	275	.....	5
	2038	.....	16

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Nashville District.....	2771	2	24
Lebanon ".....	3506	19	28
Carthage ".....	4043	19	33
Murfreesboro ".....	2547	.....	12
McMinnville ".....	2516	6	25
Fayetteville ".....	2868	12	35
Pulaski ".....	3438	43	27
Savannah ".....	2611	27	40
Columbia ".....	1219	.....	9
Franklin ".....	2491	1	18
Centerville ".....	2888	1	26
Clarksville ".....	3523	14	24
McKendree ".....	2038	.....	16
Total this year.....	36,459	144	317
Total last year.....	33,789	173	302
Increase.....	2670	.....	15
Decrease.....		29	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

892.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

2732.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

356.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

2127.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

17,009.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$3000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$2075 40

Applied as follows:

Dr. Baldwin's children,	\$250 00
Mrs. Martin Clark,	63 85
Mrs. T. W. Randle and child,	350 00
Mrs. Gant,	60 00
A. J. B. Foster,	50 00
Mrs. H. H. Brown,	75 00
J. W. Tarrant,	200 00
J. D. Winn,	75 00
Mrs. Cooley and child,	50 00
Mrs. W. Randle,	50 00
The Willis children,	100 00
Mrs. Tarrant,	125 00
Mrs. Jarred and child,	125 00
Mrs. Lankford and child,	50 00
Mrs. Jno. McCurdy,	75 00
Mrs. D. H. Jones,	75 00
Mrs. Tinnen,	100 00
Miss Gilmore,	50 00
Golman Green,	75 00
J. A. Jones,	50 00
Thos. Maddin,	25 00
Paid for envelopes,	40

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$3411 40.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Nashville, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NASHVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. Hanner, P. E.

Nashville:

McKendree, D. C. Kelley.

West End Mission, W. D. F. Sawrie.

Elm Street, R. A. Young.

Claiborne, H. D. Hogan.

City Mission, Jno. Rains.

Tulip Street, R. K. Brown.

North Edgefield, Wm. R. Warren.

Hobson Chapel, J. W. Hill.

Trinity, T. B. Fisher.

White's Creek Circuit, G. W. Martin.

Goodlettsville, W. G. Dorris, A. C. Matthews, Sup.

Nashville Circuit, F. F. Fagan.

Missionary Secretary, J. B. McFerrin,

Sunday-school Agent, C. C. Mayhew.

LEBANON DISTRICT.

J. F. Hughes, P. E.

Lebanon, J. R. Plummer.

Lebanon Circuit, B. F. Ferrell.

Kelley's Chapel, to be supplied (by W. T. J. Sullivan).

Shady Grove, J. J. Pittman.

Union, R. P. Gray.

Nolensville, S. M. Cherry, J. O. Blanton.

Mill Creek, G. W. Wynn.

Sumner, B. M. Stevens.

Gallatin, W. M. Green.

Gallatin Circuit, E. R. Shapard.

Cairo Bend Mission, to be supplied (by J. H. Rice).

Bethphage and Trinity, B. G. Ferrell.

CARTHAGE DISTRICT.

J. J. Comer, P. E.

Carthage, to be supplied.

Mount Olive, N. B. S. Owings.

Alexandria, R. W. Bellamy, W. H. Johnson, Sup.

Woodbury, O. G. Halliburton, R. A. Reagan, Sup.

Woodbury Circuit, J. A. McFerrin.

Cumberland, M. N. Ford, J. A. Walkup, Sup.

Goose Creek, A. A. Allison.

Statesville Mission, W. J. Hale.

Beech Grove, G. W. Martin.

SPARTA DISTRICT.

J. W. Cullom, P. E.

Sparta, W. N. Moore.

Sparta Circuit, George D. Byrne.

Smithville, W. H. Riggan, A. H. Reams, Sup.

Cookville Mission, to be supplied.

Livingston, A. T. Goodloe.

Wartrace, A. J. Ford, J. A. Morris, Sup.

Gainsboro Mission, to be supplied.

Cumberland River Mission, to be supplied.

MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

F. E. Pitts, P. E.

Murfreesboro, F. R. Hill.

Stone's River, J. C. Putman, E. J. Allen, Sup.

Rich Valley, R. M. Haggard.

Readyville Mission, to be supplied.

Shelbyville, P. A. Sowell.

Versailles, M. W. Gray, C. B. Faris, Sup.

Middleton, J. G. Myers.

Unionville, J. H. Richardson, T. B. Marks, Sup.

Soule Female College, D. D. Moore, President.

McMINNVILLE DISTRICT.

G. T. Henderson, P. E.

McMinnville, J. R. Thompson.

Manchester, R. E. Travis.

McMinnville Circuit and Warren Mission, U. S. Bates.

Hickory Creek, G. D. Gwynn.

Manchester, E. W. White.

Alto, W. H. Anthony.

Tullahoma and Neil's Chapel, G. W. Byrom.

Bellbuckle and Wartrace, A. T. Crawford.

Bedford, R. T. McBride.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. D. Barbee, P. E.

Fayetteville, G. L. Staley.

Mulberry, W. B. Woodward.

Elk River, John M. Jordan, J. M. Groce, Sup.

Pleasant Plains, W. A. Gill.

Petersburg, J. H. Strayhorn.

Elk Ridge Mission, to be supplied (by W. T. Gill).

Lynchburg, G. W. Anderson.

Marble Plains, W. B. Lowery, T. H. Woodward.

Salem, A. Tribble.

Winchester, J. H. Nichols.

PULASKI DISTRICT.

R. P. Ransom, P. E.

Pulaski, W. Mooney, B. H. Malone, Sup.

Cornersville, R. P. Gannaway, J. R. McClure, Sup.

Mt. Pisgah, W. G. Hensley, A. M. Ezell, Sup.

Richland, J. Sherrell, C. Laxon, Sup.

Prospect, R. L. Fagan.

Trinity, J. B. Anderson.

Pleasant Valley, G. P. Jackson.

Oakland, P. C. Gaston.

Lynnville, J. S. Williams, J. M. Locke, Sup.

Cave Spring, J. B. Erwin, W. M. Shaw, Sup.

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

A. G. Dinwiddie, P. E.

Savannah, W. Witcher, D. H. Merryman, Sup.

Loweryville, W. J. Wright.

Wayland Spring, W. M. Doyle.

Lawrenceburg, J. R. Reagan, W. P. Warren, Sup.

Pisgah and Hampshire, H. J. Ivie.

Swan, M. R. Tucker.

Eureka, Lacy Boone.

Clifton, A. Brown.

Linden, W. M. Rippey.
Indian Creek Mission, to be supplied (by J. Russell).

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

A. L. P. Green, P. E.

Columbia, A. W. Smith, I. Milner, Sup.
Spring Hill, R. G. Irvine.
Williamsport and Nebo, R. G. Linn, J. B. Hamilton, Sup.
Duck River, J. G. Rice.
Culleoka, W. H. Hughes, W. H. Wilkes, Sup.
Mt. Pleasant, J. Nichols.
Ministerial Educational Aid Society, J. A. Orman, Agent.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

W. Burr, P. E.

Franklin, T. L. Moody.
Harpeth, L. C. Bryan.
Harpeth Circuit, J. J. Pitts.
Brentwood, J. B. Allison.
Douglass, Wm. Doss.
Smith's Springs, to be supplied.
Wesley, R. R. Jones.
Chapel Hill, W. P. Owen.
Spring Hill Circuit, H. B. North.
Bethesda, A. F. Lawrence.
Tennessee Female College, R. K. Hargrove, President.

CENTERVILLE DISTRICT.

J. G. Bolton, P. E.

Centerville, W. D. Cherry.
Santa Fe, B. F. Stone.
Pine River, H. S. Ledbetter.
Yellow Creek, W. W. Graves.
Dover, W. T. Dye.

White Oak Mission, J. G. Hinson.
Ebenezer and Liberty, P. T. Martin.
Waverley, A. B. Coke.
Standing Rock, J. H. Chambliss.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

A. Mizell, P. E.

Clarksville, J. P. McFerrin.
South Clarksville, to be supplied.
New Providence, T. H. Hinson.
Cedar Hill, T. J. Duncan.
Montgomery, J. Moore, J. S. McGee.
Dickson, S. A. Ellis.
Antioch, J. H. Reynolds.
Asbury, J. W. Hanner, jr., G. W. Brown, Sup.
Saline, W. A. Turner.
Springfield Station, R. T. Roland, S. D. Ogburn, Sup.
Salem and Corinth, E. T. Hart.
Clarksville Female Academy, J. B. West, Pres.

McKENDREE DISTRICT.

J. G. Ray, P. E.

Red River, G. M. Saunders.
Pleasant Grove, D. C. Miles.
Fountain Head, J. W. Rooker.
Summit Mission, to be supplied (by W. W. Lynch).
Lafayette, to be supplied (by J. Minnis).
Ashland Mission, B. F. Jackson.
Shiloh, to be supplied (by J. Crawford).

Z. M. Taylor, S. A. Feltner, transferred to Louisville Conference.
Thos. O. Summers, jr., transferred to Alabama Conference.
Jacob C. Mials, R. H. Rogers, transferred to North Alabama Conference.

17.—KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PARIS, KY., Sept. 27-Oct. 3, 1871.

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; T. F. VANMETER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. C. M. Humphrey, T. F. Taliaferro, R. D. Poole, John Reeves, T. E. Burr, J. H. Hagar, P. H. Fishburne, Cornelius Foster. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. H. Young, G. C. Overstreet, M. D. Reynolds, M. W. Hiner, J. O. A. Vaught, G. N. Buffington, R. J. Pollitt, J. A. Caywood, B. S. Robbins, George Froh, G. C. Kelly, R. Hurt, H. R. Blaisdell, W. T. Rowland. 14.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

G. N. M. Mahon. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

J. N. Current, D. W. Robertson, J. Holmes, S. S. Goodman. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

W. J. Snively, R. H. Reed, Benjamin Arbogast, Anselm Minor, B. S. Robbins, G. C. Kelly, George Froh. 7.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

J. N. Current, D. W. Robertson, W. H. H. Ditzler. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

G. N. Buffington, S. S. Goodman. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

G. N. Buffington, S. S. Goodman. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

R. D. Allen, J. Hamilton, W. M. Crow, R. D. Poole, William Beverly. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

R. D. Allen, J. Hamilton, R. D. Poole. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

G. D. Turner. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

G. D. Turner. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

W. J. Carson. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

G. B. Poage, S. Noland, R. Lancaster. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

I. Collard, T. R. Malone, J. C. Hardy, W. C. Atmore, L. C. Danley, J. Sandusky, W. Bickers, C. T. Widney. 8.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

W. H. Parker, Peter Taylor. 2.

WILLIAM H. PARKER was born in Virginia, in 1799. His parents, who were Presbyterians, removed to Ohio while he was still a boy. In that new and stirring population he developed into an active and industrious man. Many of his neighbors sent their produce, every autumn, to New Orleans in flat-boats. The love of excitement and a curiosity to see that semi-tropical region, and the hope of bettering his fortune, induced him to make repeated voyages to that distant city. Indeed, so often were these journeys repeated, that when the steam-boats were introduced he found ready employment as a pilot; but as he thought of settling down for life he learned the trade of a cooper, and for many years, both in Ohio and Kentucky, carried on the business. The date of his first marriage and the maiden name of his first wife are unknown to us. They lived in the town of Dover, Mason county, Ky., for many years, where some of his children still reside. Brother Parker was fully grown to maturity before he embraced religion. His soul abhorred the views of the plan of salvation as presented by Calvinism. But when he

heard the gospel from the lips of Methodist preachers, he realized the grace of God in offering salvation to sinners, and loathed himself for having so persistently rejected salvation. His thirsty soul panted for the waters of life, and through faith in the blood of Jesus was satisfied. So assiduous was he to know the length, and breadth, and height, and depth of the plan of salvation, that even while engaged at his trade he always kept such books as Wesley's Notes and Clarke's Commentaries on his bench, that he might glean some grains of knowledge while for a moment at any time he stopped to rest his body. Thus he soon became class-leader and steward in his society. The Church thought proper to license him as a local preacher; as such he was ordained deacon at Maysville in 1854, and in 1859 recommended to the Kentucky Conference. He was admitted, and, having filled his probation, was admitted into full connection in Paris, in 1861. As a preacher he was studious, faithful, and full of zeal; as a pastor he was diligent. At Florence, in 1867, the wife of his youth died. Still he was in labors abundant. While on the Orangeburg work, in 1869, he married Miss Nancy Rash, whose life has vindicated the wisdom of the choice. At the last session of this Conference he was appointed to the New Columbus Circuit, where he labored assiduously, both in the pulpit and from house to house, till stricken down. During his sickness he was patient in suffering, but grieved that he could not be at work. Though he suffered much in body, his soul seemed filled with the love of God. He died May 28, 1871, and is buried at Florence, Ky., by the side of his first wife.

PETER TAYLOR was born in Billings, Lancashire, England, Feb. 28, 1809; was baptized in infancy by the Rev. Mr. Carr, minister of the Church of England; came to America in 1817; joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in the spring of 1830, and was appointed class-leader the following fall; after serving a time, he was licensed to exhort, and then to preach. He was admitted in the Kentucky Conference in 1834; ordained deacon by Bishop Soule in 1836, and elder by Bishop Morris in 1838. Brother Taylor was a strong preacher of the old Methodist type, and wherever he went was acceptable and greatly beloved, always leaving a hallowed influence behind him. He was an earnest practical preacher, seldom failing to reach the hearts of his audience; therefore his labors were eminently successful, and hundreds of souls can point to him as the instrument in God's hands of their conversion. During his itinerancy, he filled many of the most important circuits and stations in the Kentucky Conference to the entire satisfaction of all concerned; but God saw fit to arrest his labors and lead him through deep waters of affliction. The wife of his youth, the partner of his early days, and her children, one by one, until none was left, and three children by his present wife, all dying in glorious hope of everlasting

life, have preceded him to the better world; and he too for nearly twenty years had been greatly afflicted in body, but though set aside from the active work, yet he was not idle; whenever opportunity presented itself, he went forth in the discharge of his ministerial duties, declaring the glad tidings of salvation to the sinner, comforting the saint, and administering the balm of consolation to the distressed from the pulpit and in the social circle. He sweetly fell asleep, in the arms of Jesus, at his residence in Lewis county, Ky., August 22, 1871.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed—except H. R. Blaisdell, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder of the Maysville District for investigation.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Lexington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lexington.....	290	.....	1
Frankfort.....	200	.....	.....
Versailles.....	160	.....	.....
Georgetown.....	85	.....	1
Millersburg.....	224	.....	4
Winchester.....	90	.....	.....
Greenwich.....	59	1	1
Oxford.....	201	.....	1
North Middletown.....	135	.....	.....
Paris.....	144	.....	.....
Cedar Chapel.....	76	.....	4
Mount Sterling.....	280	.....	.....
Ebenezer.....	53	.....	.....
	1997	1	12

Harrodsburg District.

Harrodsburg.....	150	.....	.....
Salvisa.....	300	.....	1
Lawrenceburg.....	413	.....	2
Perryville.....	244	20	2
Perryville Circuit.....	400	1	3
Maxville.....	415	100	1
Danville.....	125	.....	1
Stanford.....	100	.....	1
Somerset.....	175	.....	4
Nicholasville.....	125	.....	.....
Jessamine.....	315	.....	3
Richmond.....	210	.....	3
Lancaster and Crab Orchard.....	124	.....	2
Bryantsville.....	156	.....	1
	3252	121	24

Shelbyville District.

Shelbyville.....	140	.....	.....
Shelby Circuit.....	242	1	1
Taylorsville.....	250	.....	1
Bloomfield.....	287	.....	.....
Lagrange.....	175	2	.....
Floydsburg.....	240	.....	1
Bedford.....	456	14	1
Milton.....	208	12	1
Newcastle.....	217	.....	1
Simpsonville.....	190	.....	.....
Jacksonville.....	447	.....	2
Springport.....	522	.....	4
Carrollton.....	129	.....	.....
	3503	29	12

Covington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Covington.....	390	.....	3
Newport.....	195	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	168	.....	2
Alexandria.....	275	.....	3
Falmouth.....	166	.....	1
Independence.....	176	.....	1
Oddville.....	530	.....	2
Cynthiana.....	189	.....	.....
Ruddles's Mills.....	58	.....	.....
Warsaw.....	147	4	.....
Owen.....	370	.....	1
Williamstown.....	338	1	3
Burlington.....	200	5	.....
Verona.....	105	.....	.....
New Columbus.....	638	1	3
	3925	11	19

Maysville District.

Maysville.....	244	.....	1
Washington and Germantown.....	172	.....	1
Brooksville and Augusta.....	175	1	.....
Shannon.....	220	4	.....
Mount Olivet.....	190	10	.....
Flemingsburg.....	202	.....	1
Tilton.....	187	1	2
Carlisle.....	286	.....	4
Sharpsburg.....	256	1	1
Owingsville.....	105	.....	.....
Poplar Plains.....	205	5	3
Orangeburg.....	164	.....	1
Vanceburg.....	421	5	.....
Minerva and Dover.....	60	.....	1
Irvingsville.....	198	.....	.....
Foster.....	125	.....	1
	3210	27	16

West Liberty District.

Stanton.....	248	.....	1
Irving.....	282	.....	.....
Campton.....	108	.....	.....
West Liberty.....	130	.....	5
Prestonburg.....	538	.....	12
Piketon.....	313	6	6
Whitesburg.....	92	.....	.....
Morehead.....	122	.....	.....
Jackson.....	105	6	4
	1938	12	28

Barboursville District.

Barboursville.....	30	.....	1
Mount Pleasant.....	130	.....	2
Booneville.....	26	.....	.....
London and Bethel.....	132	1	1
Mount Vernon.....	86	.....	2
Fishing Creek.....	114	.....	.....
Williamsburg.....	80	.....	.....
	598	1	6

Recapitulation.

Lexington District.....	1997	1	12
Harrodsburg.....	3252	121	24
Shelbyville.....	3503	29	12
Covington.....	3925	11	19
Maysville.....	3210	27	16
West Liberty.....	1938	12	28
Barboursville.....	598	1	6
Total this year.....	18,423	202	117
Total last year.....	17,313	225	114
Increase.....	1,110	.....	3
Decrease.....	.....	23	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
476.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1608.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
143.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
984.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
6858.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2200.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$1726 13
Applied as follows:	
Mrs. S. A. Latta,	\$84 20
Mrs. G. Kelly,	84 20
Johnson's children,	84 20
Mrs. W. M. Vize,	84 20
Mrs. Brooking,	84 20
Mrs. Gould,	84 20
J. C. Hardy,	126 31
I. Coliard,	126 31
T. R. Malone,	126 31
L. C. Danley,	168 40
W. C. Atmore,	168 40
Mrs. S. Kelly,	168 40
Mrs. W. G. Johns,	336 80
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	\$1726 13

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$3318 28.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
Harrodsburg, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

E. P. Buckner, P. E.

Lexington, Joseph Rand.
Frankfort, T. J. Dodd.
Versailles and Mortonville, D. A. Beardsley.
Georgetown and Oxford, J. A. Henderson.
Nicholasville, J. R. Deering, S. Nolan, Sup.
Jessamine, W. D. Power.
Winchester, W. F. Noland.
Ebenezer, E. L. Southgate.
Greenwich, G. C. Kelley.
New Columbus, N. G. Robinson.
Cedar Chapel, J. H. Young.
Hardinsville, W. H. Winter.
Superintendent of Public Instruction, H. A. M. Henderson.
Kentucky Military Institute, R. T. P. Allen,
President.

MILLERSBURG DISTRICT.

Jacob Ditzler, P. E.

Millersburg, W. T. Poynter.
Paris, J. C. Morris.
North Middletown and Mt. Zion, R. H. Read.
Mount Sterling, M. Evans.
Frenchburg, to be supplied (by O. Sexton).
Stanton, W. H. H. Ditzler.
Oddville, P. E. Kavanaugh, R. Lancaster, Sup.
Ruddles's Mills, O. Long.
Irvingville, J. C. Crow.
Sharpsburg and Bethel, H. R. Coleman.
Carlisle, S. S. Deering.
Owingsville, M. W. Hiner.
Kentucky Wesleyan University, B. Arbogast,
President; W. F. Taylor, Agent.

HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.

J. W. Fitch, P. E.

Harrodsburg, J. E. Letton.
Salvisa, W. C. Campbell.
Danville and Stanford, C. Taylor.
Perryville and Maxville, G. W. Smith.
Perryville Circuit, J. B. Locke.
Parksville, to be supplied (by J. Hamilton).
Chaplin and Mount Zion, G. D. Turner.
Somerset, W. A. G. Emmerson.
Lancaster and Crab Orchard, J. R. Pollitt.
Bryantsville, J. Strother.
Richmond, W. F. Vaughan, one to be supplied.
Irvine, S. S. Goodman.
Lawrenceburg, C. M. Humphrey.

SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.

T. N. Ralston, P. E.

Shelbyville, D. B. Cooper.
Shelby Circuit, J. C. Minor.
Taylorsville, W. T. Benton.
Bloomfield and Beech Fork, W. J. Snively.
Floydsburg, G. W. Merritt.
Lagrange, W. McD. Abbott.
Simpsonville, S. L. Robertson.
Newcastle, T. F. Vanmeter.
Bedford, B. F. Sedwick.
Milton, G. Froh.
Springport, B. C. Robbins.
Jacksonville, J. Holmes.

COVINGTON DISTRICT.

D. Welburn, P. E.

Covington, H. P. Walker.
Newport, S. X. Hall.
Cynthiana, C. W. Miller.
Carrollton, T. J. Godbey.
Burlington, W. B. Godbey, one to be supplied.
Warsaw, T. B. Cook.
Verona, B. F. Bristow.
Independence, T. F. Taliaferro.
Williamstown, G. C. Overstreet.
Falmouth, G. N. Buffington.
Mount Pleasant, W. T. Rowland.
Alexandria and Foster, D. W. Robertson, J. Reeves.
Owen, to be supplied (by W. H. Quisenberry).

Book and Tract Agent, W. B. Kavanaugh.
Agent American Bible Society, G. S. Savage.
Principal Carrollton High School, H. W. Ab-
bett.

MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.

R. Hiner, P. E.

Maysville, G. T. Gould.
East Maysville, to be supplied.
Washington and Germantown, H. H. Kava-
naugh, jr.
Brooksville and Augusta, S. W. Speer, G. B.
Poage, Sup.
Shannon and Sardis, T. P. C. Shellman.
Mount Olivet, D. G. B. Demaree.
Flemingsburg, J. W. Wightman.
Poplar Plains, P. H. Hoffman.
Vanceburg, M. D. Reynolds.
Tilton, W. W. Chamberlain.
Orangeburg, J. H. Caywood.
Concord, D. H. Marimon.
Minerva and Dover, R. D. Poole.

WEST LIBERTY DISTRICT.

E. Johnson, P. E.

West Liberty, J. N. Current.
Morehead, L. C. Waters.

Campton, C. Foster.
Jackson, to be supplied.
Hazzard, to be supplied.
Whitesburg, to be supplied (by J. Banian).
Piketon, T. E. Burr.
Prestonsburg, J. H. Hagan.
Salyersville, R. Hurt.

BARBOURSVILLE DISTRICT.

W. B. Landrum, P. E.

Barboursville and Williamsburg, to be sup-
plied (by J. S. Kelly).
Pineville, to be supplied.
Mount Pleasant, to be supplied (by S. Pope).
Manchester, to be supplied (by T. Burkitt).
London and Bethel, to be supplied (by W.
Cox).
Pulaski, to be supplied (by W. J. Carson).
Booneville, to be supplied.

J. O. A. Vaught, transferred to Western
Virginia Conference, and stationed at Catletts-
burg.

P. H. Fishburne, transferred to Western Vir-
ginia Conference, junior preacher on Liberty
and Grayson Circuit.

A. Minor, transferred to Little Rock Con-
ference.

18.—LOUISVILLE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BOWLING-GREEN, KY., *October 11-17, 1871.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; A. C. DEWITT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Wm. C. Hayes, J. W. Hendricks,
Jo. C. Norman, Elijah Thurman, Milton C.
Nantz, Thos. I. Richardson, D. C. Collie, J. C.
Brandon, Hiram G. Holcomb, Benj. F. Biggs,
A. H. Mitchell, Joshua G. Freeman. 12.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Granville W. Lyon, Leroy Hirschburg, Da-
vid Bowles, J. M. Phillips, Joseph W. Love,
Josiah Godbey, Gabriel S. King, Alex. G. Fra-
zer, John F. Williams, W. T. Rowland. 10.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

John T. Waters. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
tion?

Joseph W. Mitchell, R. W. Stone, W. T.
Moore, Jno. W. Lewis, Robert E. Bennett,
Lewis E. Campbell, George B. Overton. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John R. Strange, James W. Taylor, Wm.
W. Lambuth. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from
other Conferences?

Wm. H. Anderson, Z. M. Taylor. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Richard C. Love, Sam'l L. Lee, Geo. F.
Cundiff, V. P. Thomas, Ben. D. Griffin, W. R.
Godbey, G. W. Gilmore. 7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected
deacons?

R. W. Stone, W. T. Moore, J. W. Lewis,
Robt. D. Bennett, Lewis E. Campbell. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are or-
dained deacons?

R. W. Stone, W. T. Moore, J. W. Lewis,
Robt. D. Bennett, Lewis E. Campbell. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected
deacons?

James W. McCown, Wm. Woodson, Gran-
berry B. Jones, James M. Gragg. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained
deacons?

James W. McCown, Wm. Woodson. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are
elected elders?

Samuel L. Lee, Richard C. Love. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Samuel L. Lee, Richard C. Love. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

John Hargan, Jo. C. Norman, Giles R. Randolph, Wm. R. Eades, A. G. S. Hughes, Wm. Lackey, A. H. Mitchell, Joseph T. Yates, Gabriel J. Bean. 9.

Leonard Harvey, formerly of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, was recognized as a local elder.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

A. G. S. Hughes, J. Hargan, A. H. Mitchell, Jo. C. Norman, Gabriel J. Bean. 5.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

M. N. Lasley, R. D. Bennett, R. Fisk, Geo. R. Browder, Geo. W. Gilmore. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joel Peak, John B. Perry, Allison Aiken, Alberry L. Alderson, Wm. H. Morrison, Alexander McCown. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Wm. E. Evans. 1.

WM. E. EVANS died at the residence of his father, in Logan county, Ky., Oct. 20, 1870, in the thirty-third year of his age. Brother Evans was brought up under the influence of regular family worship, the Sunday-school, the class-meeting, and the preaching of the word of God. In early life he professed faith in Christ, and united with the M. E. Church, South, at Red Oak Grove, in the Logan Circuit. For several years he lived a consistent Christian. When the fires of revolution swept over our land, he entered the Confederate ranks as a soldier, and, like thousands of others deprived of the influence of regular worship and religious society, lost his religious enjoyment. At the end of the war, he returned home, repented of his backsliding, was restored to the favor of God and the Church, began and continued regular family prayer, and was finally licensed to preach; and, in 1869, was admitted on trial in the Louisville Conference, and appointed to Brownsville Mission, and in 1870 to the Bowling-green Mission. In both these fields, Brother Evans labored faithfully and successfully, was greatly blessed in winning souls to Christ. He labored to organize and sustain Sunday-schools, and to circulate religious books and periodicals, to induce parents to erect the family altar, and to dedicate their children to God in Christian baptism. He was an earnest, faithful, and useful man, and greatly beloved. In 1870, his health entirely failed, and he was compelled to retire from the field, hoping that rest and medicine would restore him. He greatly desired to live to preach among men the unsearchable riches

of Christ, but he continued to decline in health. His disease was peculiar and painful, affecting both body and mind. Sometimes he was rapturously happy, at others greatly depressed; but always looked to Jesus as the only hope, and lost no opportunity of urging all that visited him to seek and serve the Lord. His end was gloriously triumphant.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed—except James S. Woolls, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Louisville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Louisville:			
Broadway Station.....	318	.....	2
Chestnut Street Station.....	350	.....	2
Walnut Street Station.....	417	.....	3
Shelby Street Station.....	320	.....	2
Twelfth Street Station.....	280	.....	2
Portland and 21st Street Station...	180	.....	2
Kavanaugh and 13th Street Station	220	.....	2
Louisville Circuit.....	258	.....	1
Middletown Circuit.....	170	.....	.....
Meadow Lawn Circuit.....	19	.....	.....
Asbury Station.....	80	.....	2
	2612	.....	18

Elizabethtown District.

Elizabethtown Station.....	121	.....	.....
Big Spring Circuit.....	550	30	3
Brandenburg Circuit.....	275	.....	.....
Hardinsburg and Cloverport Circuit..	373	.....	2
Litchfield Circuit.....	261	.....	3
Caneyville Mission.....	3	.....	.....
Hodgenville Circuit.....	312	.....	2
Hudsonville Circuit.....	416	.....	2
West Point Circuit.....	307	3	4
Shepherdsville Circuit.....	257	5	.....
Salt River Mission.....	20	.....	.....
Jeffersonton Circuit.....	425	.....	1
	3320	38	17

Owensboro District.

Owensboro Station.....	209	.....	.....
Owensboro Circuit.....	150	.....	1
Yelvington Circuit.....	272	1	4
Calhoun Circuit.....	400	3	3
Hartford Circuit.....	292	.....	2
Mt. Vernon Circuit.....	293	.....	2
Hawesville Circuit.....	467	.....	5
Cromwell Circuit.....	225	.....	1
	2308	4	18

Henderson District.

Henderson Station.....	130	.....	1
Henderson Circuit.....	460	.....	3
Morganfield Circuit.....	230	.....	2
Caseyville Circuit.....	242	.....	2
Madisonville Circuit.....	385	.....	8
Sacramento Circuit.....	273	.....	2
Greenville Circuit.....	468	.....	3
Ashbysburg Circuit.....	450	.....	2
Dixon Circuit.....	185	.....	4
Charleston Mission.....	120	.....	2
	2943	.....	29

Princeton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Princeton Circuit.....	185	.....	2
Cadiz Circuit.....	402	.....	2
Lafayette Circuit.....	208	.....	1
Parkersville Circuit.....	295	.....	.....
Eddyville Circuit.....	375	.....	2
Smithland Station.....	93	.....	1
Salem Circuit.....	283	.....	1
Marion Circuit.....	386	.....	3
Fredonia Circuit.....	140	.....	.....
Smithland Circuit.....	180	.....	3
Gainesburg Mission.....	203	.....	1
Empire Mission.....	132	.....	.....
	2882	.....	16

Russellville District.

Russellville Station.....	211	.....	.....
Logan Circuit.....	320	.....	2
Allensville Circuit.....	240	.....	.....
Auburn and Bibb's Station.....	175	.....	3
Cave Spring Circuit.....	318	.....	3
Elkton Circuit.....	234	.....	4
Fairview Circuit.....	360	.....	3
Hopkinsville Station.....	115	.....	.....
Todd Circuit.....	253	.....	.....
Trenton Mission.....	50	.....	.....
Henryville Circuit.....	450	.....	2
	2726	1	17

Bowling-green District.

Bowling-green Station.....	235
Bowling-green Circuit.....	285	15	3
North Bowling-green Circuit.....	218	.....	.....
Franklin Station.....	150	.....	1
Franklin Circuit.....	380	.....	3
Glasgow Station.....	67	.....	3
Oakland Circuit.....	317	.....	.....
Scottsville Circuit.....	651	3	3
New Row Circuit.....	485	2	5
Brownsville Mission.....	250	.....	4
Morgantown Mission.....	183	.....	1
	3221	20	23

Greensburg District.

Greensburg Circuit.....	400	.....	2
Lebanon Circuit.....	99	1	.....
Bradfordville Circuit.....	230	.....	.....
New Haven Circuit.....	300	10	.....
Campbellsville Circuit.....	411	.....	2
Taylor Circuit.....	387	.....	1
Buffalo Circuit.....	261	.....	2
Cave City Circuit.....	288	6	5
Bacon Creek Circuit.....	676	.....	4
Bardstown Station.....	92	.....	2
Munfordsville Circuit.....	234	.....	3
	3368	17	21

Columbia District.

Columbia Circuit.....	661	28	4
Burksville Circuit.....	193	.....	2
Albany Circuit.....	405	3	1
Wayne Circuit.....	500	.....	4
Edmonton Circuit.....	115	.....	2
Liberty Mission.....	147	.....	1
Cumberland Mission.....	399	3	2
Glasgow Circuit.....	272	.....	3
Tompkinsville Circuit.....	440	15	7
Bear Creek Circuit.....	334	.....	.....
Jamestown Circuit.....	270	13	3
	3736	62	29

Indiana District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jeffersonville.....	52	.....	2
White's Creek Circuit.....	64	.....	2
Waldron Circuit.....	87	.....	1
Galveston Circuit.....	13	.....	1
	216	.....	6

Recapitulation.

Louisville District.....	2612	.....	18
Elizabethtown District.....	3320	38	17
Owensboro.....	2308	4	18
Henderson.....	2943	.....	29
Princeton.....	2882	.....	16
Russellville.....	2726	1	17
Bowling-green.....	3221	20	23
Greensburg.....	3368	17	21
Columbia.....	3736	62	29
Indiana.....	216	.....	6
Total this year.....	27,332	142	194
Total last year.....	25,398	262	186
Increase.....	1,934	.....	8
Decrease.....		120	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
926.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1973.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
185.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1375.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
10,546.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1952 50

Distributed as follows:

To Joel Peak,	\$ 91 00
To Sister Wilson,	180 00
To Sister Moore,	280 00
To Sister Hicks,	230 00
To Sister Owen,	280 00
To Sister Lewis,	130 00
To Sister Knowles,	79 00
To Brother Gooch's children,	92 00
To Brother Moore's children,	92 00
To Brother Perry,	101 00
To Brother Alderson,	154 75
To Brother Aiken,	101 00
To Sister King,	79 00
To Sister Davis,	62 75

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$1332 00.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Lebanon, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.

E. W. Schon, P. E.

Louisville:

Broadway, R. H. Rivers.
Chestnut Street, B. M. Messick.
Walnut Street, H. C. Settle, Z. M. Taylor, Sup.
Shelby Street, W. H. Anderson.
Twelfth Street, T. G. Bosley.
Portland Street, J. P. Goodson, M. M. Lasley, Sup.
Kavanaugh, S. Newton.
Asbury, to be supplied.
Middletown Circuit, H. C. Morrison.
Louisville Circuit, D. Spurrier.
Agent Publishing House, A. H. Redford.
Sunday-school Agent, R. Deering.

ELIZABETHTOWN DISTRICT.

G. H. Hayes, P. E.

Elizabethtown Station, R. F. Hayes.
Big Spring Circuit, J. M. Lawson.
Brandenburg Circuit, S. H. Lovelace.
Hardinsburg Circuit, S. C. Allen.
Litchfield Circuit, V. P. Thomas.
Caneyville Mission, S. Spurrier.
Hodgenville Circuit, J. D. Barnett.
West Point Circuit, G. B. Overton, J. W. Taylor.
Shepherdsville, H. N. Hobbs.
Salt River Mission, to be supplied.
Jeffersontown Circuit, S. L. Murrell.
Hudsonville Circuit, A. G. Frazier.
Widows and Orphans' Home, C. D. Donaldson, Agent.

OWENSBORO DISTRICT.

J. R. Dempsey, P. E.

Owensboro Station, G. W. Brush.
Owensboro Mission, W. Williams.
Yelvington Circuit, J. S. McDaniel.
Calhoun, C. Y. Boggess.
Livermore, J. L. Brown.
Hartford, T. D. Lewis, R. D. Bennett, Sup.
Mt. Vernon, L. Hirschburg.
Hawesville, J. L. Edrington.
Lewisport, M. M. Hunter.
Cloverport, to be supplied.
Cromwell, R. C. Love.

HENDERSON DISTRICT.

T. C. Frogge, P. E.

Henderson Station, J. W. Price.
Henderson Circuit, W. W. Cook.
Morganfield, T. C. Berry.
Caseyville, W. T. Moore.
Madisonville, T. C. Peters.
Ashburg, J. C. Norman.
Sacramento, E. Thurman.
Greenville, S. L. Lee.
West Greenville, W. W. Mann.
Dixon, T. I. Richardson.
Charleston Mission, M. A. Nantz.

RUSSELLVILLE DISTRICT.

H. M. Ford, P. E.

Russellville Station, W. F. Easterling, R. Fisk, Sup.
Logan Circuit, J. C. Petree.
Allensville Circuit, E. W. Bottomley.
Cave Spring Circuit, A. C. DeWitt.
Henryville, W. Alexander.
Auburn and Bibb's Chapel, G. R. Browder, Sup.
Elkton Circuit, James A. Lewis.
Todd Circuit, B. D. Griffin.
Fairview Circuit, I. W. Emmerson.
Hopkinsville, T. Bottomley.
Trenton Mission, to be supplied.
Sharon Mission, to be supplied (by T. M. Penick).
Logan Female College, N. H. Lee, President;
D. Morton, Agent.
Preachers' Aid Society, D. S. Campbell, Agent.

BOWLING-GREEN DISTRICT.

E. M. Crow, P. E.

Bowling-green Station, J. W. Shelton.
Franklin Station, T. J. Randolph.
Glasgow Station, L. E. Campbell.
New Roe, D. Bowles.
Scottsville, J. J. Ruddell, G. W. Gilmore, Sup.
Oakland, R. W. Stone.
Bowling-green Circuit, R. Y. Thomas.
North Bowling-green, F. M. Rose.
Franklin Circuit, T. G. Harrison.
Brownsville, to be supplied (by W. C. Slate).
Morgantown Mission, T. J. Godbey.
Board of Education, J. F. Redford, Agent.

LEBANON DISTRICT.

J. S. McGee, P. E.

Bardstown, G. W. Lyon.
Lebanon, J. W. Lewis.
Springfield and Bradfordsville, B. F. Biggs.
New Haven, D. H. Linebaugh.
Campbellsville, G. F. Cundiff.
Taylor Circuit, W. L. King.
Greensburg, W. W. Lambuth.
Cave City, J. W. Mitchell.
Munfordsville, J. R. Strange.
Bacon Creek, G. S. King.
Nolin Mission, J. F. Williams.
Buffalo, W. C. Hayes.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

R. C. Alexander, P. E.

Columbia Circuit, W. T. Davenport.
Burksville, J. S. Keen.
Edmonton, to be supplied (by W. Woodson).
Glasgow Circuit, J. M. Phillips.
Tompkinsville, W. R. Godbey.
Wayne, A. G. Freeman.
Albany, J. W. Love.
Jamestown, A. H. Mitchell.
Liberty Mission, to be supplied.
Cumberland Mission, to be supplied (by J. M. Allcorn).
Jamestown Mission, to be supplied (by J. E. Whitley).

PRINCETON DISTRICT.*

L. B. Davison, P. E.

Princeton and Eddyville, J. S. Scobee.
Eddyville Circuit, W. T. Rees.
Smithland, E. R. Harrison.
Smithland Circuit, S. A. Feltner.
Salem Mission, G. W. Crumbaugh.
Marion, H. C. McQuown.
Fredonia, D. L. Colley.
Parkersville, R. B. McCown.
Cadiz, P. T. Hardison.
Lafayette, B. A. Cundiff.
Empire Mission, J. C. Brandon.
Crofton Mission, to be supplied.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

F. B. Rodgers, P. E.

Jeffersonville, F. G. Brodie.
Jeffersonville and New Albany Mission, to be supplied.
White Creek, A. W. Hendricks.
Waldron, to be supplied.
Galveston, to be supplied (by W. Hamlin).
Clifford Mission, to be supplied.
Nashville Mission, to be supplied.

W. B. Maxey, transferred to the Western Conference.

H. G. Holcombe, transferred to Illinois Conference.

19.—ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CENTENARY CHURCH, ST. LOUIS, MO., *October 11-17, 1871.*

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; L. M. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John W. Boggs, Alexander M. Robinson. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thomas J. Stringfield, Milton G. McAlister, Charles E. Devinney, Joseph A. Russell, John C. Duncan. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Sydney Richmond. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

John H. St. Clair, William M. Shelton, John R. Eddleman, Wesley E. Woodward, George W. Hull. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John L. McFarland. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

John C. Duncan, W. F. Mister. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

William M. Shelton, John R. Eddleman, Wesley E. Woodward. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

William M. Shelton, John R. Eddleman, Wesley E. Woodward. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Benjamin L. Brown. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Benjamin L. Brown. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

George W. Hull, John H. St. Clair, William M. Bewley. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

George W. Hull, John H. St. Clair, William M. Bewley. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

S. A. Ritchie. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Joseph Boyle, T. G. Atchison. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Christian Eaker, William R. Babcock, J. N. W. Springer. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

George H. Clinton. 1.

GEORGE H. CLINTON was the eldest son of the Rev. Thomas Clinton, of the Mississippi Conference, M. E. Church, South, and was born in St. Helena parish, La., January 7, 1835. He was baptized in infancy by the Rev. William Winans, D.D. In his fourteenth year he was converted at the family altar. He was graduated with honor at the Centenary College, under the presidency of the Rev. Dr. R. H. Rivers, in July, 1863. He was early impressed with a conviction of a call to the ministry. In

the fall, after his graduation, he was licensed to preach, and received on trial in the Mississippi Conference. His first appointment was Cole's Creek Circuit, and he served various charges of that Conference without interruption till his transfer in 1868 to the St. Louis Conference and appointment to the First Church in the city of St. Louis, to which he was reappointed in 1869. At the close of the second year his health had failed, and he was granted a supernumerary relation, and repaired to his father's house at Darlington, La., where he died on Thursday, December 29, 1870, at 9.30 A.M. His last words were, "O, I am so happy!" The Preachers' Association of the city of St. Louis, and the Conference of official members, adopted affectionate tributes of respect, and ordered a public memorial-service to take place in the First Church, his late charge, which was attended by an immense concourse, among them the Protestant clergy of the city. The following biographical sketch has been furnished by Bishop Paine: "It deeply grieves the writer to make the announcement of the decease of Brother Clinton, and it will be read with sorrow by many admiring and loving friends of the deceased. His history refutes the oft-repeated slander that 'preachers' children are worse than their neighbors,' and vindicates the divine word. Carefully trained by his parents 'in the way he should go,' he became pious in early life, and never departed from the way. As he grew up he seems to have felt a strong impression that he was called to the duties of the holy ministry, and, upon completing his collegiate course, he at once entered the Mississippi Conference, in 1853, as an itinerant preacher. Henceforth to the day of his death, he wholly devoted himself to 'this one thing, and drew all his cares and studies this way.' He was an itinerant preacher in spirit and in fact, filling with great effectiveness and popularity, during the fifteen years he remained in Mississippi, every appointment he received, from a colored mission to the most important stations and districts in the Conference. In 1868 he was transferred to the St. Louis Conference, and for two years has been the pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the city of St. Louis. With what success he has labored in that large and important charge, his devoted and generous-hearted people have testified by their sympathy and love. His name will ever be remembered by them with respect, and the fruits of his labors will be seen when he shall come 'with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.' In stature he was small, well-proportioned, and apparently of a delicate frame. But he was lithe, active, and of such an indomitable zeal that, notwithstanding he was predisposed to an affliction of his throat, he endured an amount of ministerial labor which few could sustain without exhaustion. Repeatedly warned of his danger, and sensible of it, he could not resist the demands for his services, and preferred to wear out to rusting out. He was happily married, and was almost

idolized in his own family. Socially he was genial and companionable. Candid and kind, without guile or ostentation, his brethren in the laity and ministry trusted him and dearly loved him. A more unselfish man cannot be found. His whole life was given for others. He was popular everywhere; but this excited no jealousy, for he was no one's rival. His manner of presenting his thoughts was unique—investing ordinary topics with novelty, and rendering them impressive and attractive to his hearers. They were charmed and moved by his eloquence and holy pathos. Of course he was successful. He honored his Master, and his Master owned and honored his servant. Many stars will glitter in his crown. His mental faculties operated rapidly and logically. He had fancy and taste. Always deeply in earnest in preaching, no hearer doubted his sincerity or his singleness of purpose. In private he was a praying and consecrated Christian, and his life, as a whole, was as beautifully consistent as his death was a sublime demonstration of the truth and potency of religion. During last fall his devoted charge became painfully apprehensive that his labors were dangerously impairing his health, and urged him to respite himself. With this view he returned to his father's in the South, where, in the society of his early friends and loving kindred, it was hoped his health would be restored. But, alas! it was too late. It soon became evident that his vital energies had been overtaxed and subverted. The result was inevitable. Slowly but surely he declined—gently and safely he sank into the grave. In the letter from his father, which gave the first news of his death, he says: 'George reached my house on October 26th, in very feeble health, and continued to decline to helplessness. He continued to the last in his loved employment of attending love-feasts and other social meetings, and, when unable to whisper, or even to swallow a little water without pain, yet he labored for the salvation of a dear old friend but two days before he exchanged a world of tears for, we trust through grace, a world of eternal joy. He sleeps now near one of his dear little ones. Three others sleep in different places; but they have met to part no more. In June, 1855, he was married to Miss Sallie Bridgers, of Port Gibson, Miss., whom he has left, with two daughters, father, mother, brothers, and sisters, to follow him, we trust, to the same blessed home.' Thus has passed from earth one of its purest and loveliest spirits. Let his aged parents thank God for having lent them such a son! Let his friends pray that God may have his widow and children in his holy keeping, and let the whole Church pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out more such laborers! George H. Clinton and William Winans Drake—sons of my old fellow-laborers—now rest together. They are safe."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

St. Louis District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
First Church.....	408	.....	1
Centenary.....	274	.....	1
St. John's.....	270	.....	1
St. Paul's.....	80	.....	.....
Wesley Chapel.....	55	.....	.....
Washington.....	37	.....	.....
Manchester.....	135	.....	.....
Labadie.....	147	.....	.....
St. Louis Circuit.....	287	1	1
Carondelet.....	117	.....	1
Meramac.....	178	.....	1
Mt. Olive.....	83	1	3
Kirkwood.....	57	.....	1
	2128	2	10

Rolla District.

Rolla and St. James.....	40	2
Salem.....	175	.....	4
Miller's Landing.....	35	.....	.....
Cuba.....	75	.....	1
Licking.....	222	1	3
Houston.....	152	.....	4
West Plains.....	172	.....	3
Thomasville.....	300	.....	7
Mill Creek.....	40	.....	1
Van Buren.....	70	.....	2
Steelville.....	70	.....	1
	1351	1	28

Potosi District.

Arcadia.....	165	.....	1
Iron Mountain.....	380	.....	4
Caledonia.....	150	.....	1
Plattin.....	147	.....	.....
Farmington.....	428	5	3
Fredricktown.....	397	.....	3
Centreville.....	232	.....	4
Perryville.....	350	.....	2
De Soto.....	89	.....	1
Millersville.....	217	.....	1
Poplar Bluff.....	550	3	4
Patterson.....	170	.....	4
	3275	8	28

Charleston District.

Charleston.....	397	.....	3
East Prairie.....	234	.....	1
New Madrid.....	341	.....	1
Benton.....	373	.....	3
Grand Prairie.....	370	.....	6
West Prairie.....	300	.....	4
Bloomfield.....	400	.....	5
Marble Hill.....	378	.....	4
Greenville.....	208	.....	1
Jackson.....	187	1	.....
	3188	1	28

Recapitulation.

St. Louis District.....	2128	2	10
Rolla.....	1351	1	28
Potosi.....	3275	8	28
Charleston.....	3188	1	28
Total.....	9942	12	94

[The St. Louis Conference was divided last year, so that the increase or decrease cannot be stated.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

538.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

687.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

109.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

725.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

6084.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

No answer.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1200 00

Applied as follows:

Mrs. Wm. A. Smith.	\$100 00
Ellen F. Pierson,	50 00
W. R. Babcock,	175 00
Mrs. Anthony,	175 00
Mrs. Whally,	175 00
Mrs. Reed,	175 00
Mrs. Mobley,	150 00
Christian Eaker,	200 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Missions,	\$2385 61
Old Debt,	750 00

\$3135 61

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Arcadia, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.

W. M. Leftwich, P. E.

First Church, Joseph W. Lewis, Joseph Boyle, Sup.

Centenary Church, John H. Linn.

St. John's Church, F. A. Morris.

St. Paul's Church, A. T. Scruggs.

Wesley Chapel, John C. Duncan.

St. Louis Circuit, Wm. C. Godbey, L. W. Powell.

Mount Olive Circuit, to be supplied (by W. D. Shumate).

Carondelet Station, to be supplied.

Manchester and Fenton, John H. St. Clair.

Meramac and St. Clair, John S. Frazier.

Labadie, John E. Godbey.

Washington, to be supplied.

Kirkwood, to be supplied (by J. W. Robinson).

City Mission, to be supplied.

Sabbath-school Agent, Wesley Browning.

M'Anally Institute, D. R. M'Anally, Principal.
 Editor St. Louis *Christian Advocate*, Thos. M. Finney.

ROLLA DISTRICT.

Marcus Arrington, P. E.

Rolla and St. James's Station, William M. Williams.
 Cuba Circuit, to be supplied.
 Salem Circuit, John R. Eddleman.
 Licking Circuit, Chas. E. Devinney.
 Houston Circuit, Wesley E. Woodward.
 West Plains and Thomasville Circuit, to be supplied (by R. A. Bradley).
 Alton Circuit, to be supplied (by Lawson Thompson).
 Doniphan Circuit, to be supplied (by Thomas W. Gardner).
 Van Buren Circuit, Andrew M. Robinson.
 Steelville Circuit, to be supplied.
 Rolla Circuit, to be supplied.

IRON MOUNTAIN DISTRICT.

John C. Williams, P. E.

Arcadia Station, Jerome C. Berryman.
 Iron Mountain Circuit, Jos. A. Russell.
 Caledonia and Irondale Circuit, to be supplied.
 Platten Circuit, Wm. M. Bewley.
 Farmington Circuit, John L. McFarland.
 Fredericktown Station, Milton G. McAllister.

Fredericktown Circuit, to be supplied (by Jacob Sparks).
 Perryville Circuit, Andrew Peace.
 Patterson Circuit, Wm. M. Shelton.
 Poplar Bluff, to be supplied (by Jacob Cox).
 Centreville Circuit, John W. Boggs.
 Arcadia Circuit, W. F. Mister.
 Bellevue Collegiate Institute, John H. Headlee, Principal.
 Arcadia College, L. M. Lewis, President.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

David Marquis, P. E.

Charleston Circuit, Lucilius F. Aspley.
 East Prairie Circuit, to be supplied (by John Martin).
 New Madrid Circuit, to be supplied (by Simeon W. Barbee).
 Benton Circuit, William Alexander.
 Gayoso Circuit, to be supplied.
 Grand Prairie Circuit, T. G. Atchison, Sup.
 West Prairie Circuit, to be supplied (by John Shannon).
 Bloomfield Circuit, to be supplied (by James Tribble).
 Marble Hill Circuit, Henry S. Watts.
 Jackson Circuit, Geo. W. Hull.

John T. Crandall, transferred to Illinois Conference.

Benj. S. Robbins, transferred to Louisville Conference.

20.—WEST ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT KANSAS CITY, *Sept. 27-Oct. 5, 1871.*

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; W. M. PROTTSMAN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robert H. Schaeffer, Daniel L. Rader, S. A. P. R. Holloway, William W. Spates, J. L. D. Blevans, J. D. Wood, John C. Duncan, Jones L. Heagler, Leonidas W. Pearce, Charles O. Jones, James W. Ayer, Robert A. Allen, Alfred Wyatt. 13.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

C. H. Briggs, W. C. Montgomery, C. D. Davis. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Richard J. Derrick. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

A. C. Baker, Thos. D. Payne, J. C. Alexander. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Warren Wharton, J. M. Kelley, Mannen Duren. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Francis J. Boggs, A. C. Baker, Milliard J. Law. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

J. C. Alexander. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

C. H. Briggs, A. C. Baker. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

C. H. Briggs, A. C. Baker. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

J. L. D. Blevans, W. B. Hill. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

J. L. D. Blevans. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Calvin C. Wright, L. P. Siceloff. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Calvin C. Wright, L. P. Siceloff. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Rowland Dorgett, T. M. L. Bedsworth, Caleb Haymes, T. J. Hutchinson. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

T. M. L. Bedsworth, T. F. C. James. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

R. C. Meek, J. P. Gibson, J. C. Alexander. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Nathan Scarritt, W. M. Pitts, Josiah McCary. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

S. S. Colburn, William Holmes, N. T. Shaler, John Monroe. 4.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

S. A. Blakey. 1.

STEPHEN A. BLAKEY gave himself to the itinerant work by uniting with this Conference at its session at Independence, September, 1859. Since then he has labored wherever assigned by the authorities of the Church. Brother Blakey was a good man. His meek deportment is remembered by us who call to mind his appearance among us at Conference sessions, and who knew him on his fields of labor. He passed through the service of the army with unsullied Christian character. It was on an errand of mercy, March, 1871, that he met the exposure that resulted in his death. His last work was the Osceola Circuit. At his post, in discharge of duty, he fell, March 29, 1871. He died in the house of a brother minister, Rev. Harvey Smith, of the Baptist Church, whose kind attentions call for the gratitude of the brethren of our deceased fellow-laborer. Congestion having lighted upon his system, his mind was not lucid in his last sickness, and we are deprived of any expression of faith or triumph from this servant of God. Brother Blakey leaves a widow, destitute, to the care of the Church he served while living. Brother Blakey was the son of a Methodist preacher—a worthy son of a worthy sire—and was in his thirty-ninth year when he departed this life.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Boonville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Boonville Station	112	1
Belle Air Circuit	300	1

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Boonville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Arrow Rock and Marshall	140	1
Marshall Circuit	442	4	3
Sedalia Circuit	166	2	4
Versailles Station	55	2	1
Versailles Circuit	300	.....	2
Jefferson City Station	48	.....	.....
Jefferson City Circuit	185	.....	.....
California and Tipton	49	.....	1
California Circuit	240	.....	.....
	1937	8	14

Lexington District.

Lexington Station	253	.....	2
Dover Circuit	150	.....	2
Waverley Station	118	.....	2
Warrensburg Station	58	.....	1
Blackwater and Brownsville	247	.....	2
Warrensburg Circuit	200	.....	.....
Clinton Circuit	390	.....	2
Saline Circuit	164	.....	1
Cambridge Circuit	265	4	1
Warsaw Circuit	218	.....	3
Grand Pass Circuit	264	.....	2
	2327	4	18

Kansas City District.

Kansas City Station	202	.....	3
Kansas City Circuit	133	.....	.....
West Port and Kansas City	72	2	1
Independence Station	120	.....	1
Independence Circuit	198	.....	1
Pleasant Hill Station	143	.....	2
Columbus Circuit	400	.....	2
Wellington Circuit	393	9	2
	1661	11	12

Nevada City District.

Nevada City Station	124	.....	3
Nevada City Circuit	190	.....	.....
Little Osage Circuit	250	2	3
Papinsville Circuit	117	.....	.....
Butler Circuit	426	.....	6
Deepwater Circuit	300	2	3
Holden Circuit	39	.....	.....
Harrisonville Circuit	218	.....	4
Index Circuit	210	1	3
	1874	5	22

Neosho District.

Neosho Circuit	363	3	4
Pineville Circuit	305	.....	.....
Cassville Circuit	304	1	5
Mt. Vernon Circuit	284	.....	1
Pearce City Circuit	259	1	3
Carthage Circuit	105	.....	.....
Lamar Circuit	15	.....	1
Montevallo Circuit	135	.....	3
	1770	5	17

Springfield District.

Springfield Station	126	.....	2
Springfield Circuit	386	.....	3
Bolivar and Morrisville	243	.....	4
Bolivar Circuit	241	.....	4
Stockton Circuit	181	1	1
Osceola Circuit	114	.....	1
Humansville Circuit	130	.....	1
Hermitage Circuit	115	5	1
Ozark Circuit	68	.....	.....
Marshfield Circuit	450	.....	5
	2054	6	22

Lebanon District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lebanon Circuit.....	149	.....	3
Bloom Garden Circuit.....	247	.....	3
Chamois Circuit.....	204	3	1
Hartville Circuit.....	125	.....	3
Douglass Circuit (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Mountain Store Circuit.....	89	.....	3
	814	3	13

Recapitulation.

Boonville District.....	1937	8	14
Lexington ".....	2327	4	18
Kansas City ".....	1661	11	12
Nevada City ".....	1874	5	22
Neosho ".....	1770	5	17
Springfield ".....	2054	6	22
Lebanon ".....	814	3	13
Total.....	12,437	42	118

[The West St. Louis Conference was organized last year, so that the increase or decrease cannot be stated.]

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
467.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
908.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
98.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
714.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
4987.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$1370.

Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$1843 30.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Nevada City, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BOONVILLE DISTRICT.

W. M. Prottzman, P. E.

Boonville Station, Wm. F. Camp.
Belle Air Circuit, N. M. Talbott.
Arrow Rock and Marshall, A. C. Baker.
Marshall Circuit, A. M. Rader.
Sedalia Station, C. H. Briggs.
Clinton and Winsor, G. U. Keener.
Clinton Circuit, J. B. H. Wooldridge.

Lamont Circuit, J. M. Kelly, Josiah McCary, Sup.
Sedalia Circuit, Josiah Godbey.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

A. G. Stacy, P. E.

Lexington Station, Francis J. Boggs.
Dover Circuit, to be supplied.
Waverley Station, J. F. Scurlock.
Blackwater and Brownsville, Wm. B. McFarland.
Warrensburg Station, G. A. Shaeffer.
Aullsville Circuit, L. P. Sicheloff.
Saline Circuit, Milton Adkisson.
Cambridge Circuit, N. G. Berryman.
Grand Pass Circuit, to be supplied.
Marvin Female Institute, J. O. Church, Pres't.
Sunday-school Agent, J. C. Shackelford.

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.

S. S. Bryant, P. E.

Kansas City, C. D. N. Campbell, N. Scarritt, Sup.
Kansas City Circuit, J. T. Perry.
Santa Fe Circuit, W. W. Spates.
West Point Station, G. W. Horn.
Independence Station, Thos. M. Cobb.
Lee's Summit Circuit, M. M. Pugh.
Pink Hill Circuit, to be supplied.
Pleasant Hill Circuit, M. G. Williams.
Columbus Circuit, H. N. Watts.
Wellington Circuit, to be supplied.

NEVADA DISTRICT.

H. W. Webster, P. E.

Nevada City Station, J. A. Murphy.
Nevada City Circuit, S. A. P. R. Holloway.
Little Osage Circuit, C. D. Davis.
Papinsville Circuit, J. D. Wood.
Butler Circuit, G. P. Smith.
Montrose Circuit, J. M. Proctor.
Chalk Level, to be supplied.
Harrisonville Circuit, C. C. Woods.
Index Circuit, M. Duren, W. M. Pitts, Sup.

NEOSHO DISTRICT.

J. Tillery, P. E.

Neosho Circuit, J. F. Hogan.
Pineville Circuit, J. L. Heagler.
Cassville Circuit, L. W. Pearce.
Mt. Vernon Circuit, James McGhee.
Pearce City Circuit, G. C. Knowls.
Lamar Mission, to be supplied.
Montevallo Mission, Alfred Wyatt.
Golden Circuit Mission, to be supplied.
Greenfield Circuit, J. A. W. Ayer.
Carthage Circuit, to be supplied.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

C. P. Jones, P. E.

Springfield Station, Warren Wharton.
Springfield Circuit, T. D. Payne, one to be supplied.
Lebanon and Marshfield, to be supplied.
Bolivar and Morrisville, C. C. Wright.

Bolivar Circuit, G. W. Winton.
 Lebanon Circuit, C. F. Dryden.
 Stockton Circuit, W. C. Montgomery, one to
 be supplied.
 Hartville Circuit, D. A. McKnight.
 Ozark Mission, to be supplied.
 Marshfield, R. M. Baker.
 Springfield Female Institute, C. P. Jones, Pro-
 fessor.

JEFFERSON CITY DISTRICT.

Richard Minshall, P. E.

Jefferson City Station, M. J. Law.

Jefferson City Circuit, J. P. Barnsby.
 Chamois Circuit, W. S. Woodward.
 Bloom Garden Circuit, P. W. Duncan.
 Hermitage Circuit, R. H. Shaeffer.
 Osceola Mission, to be supplied.
 Warsaw Circuit, T. P. Hill.
 Versailles and Tipton, J. L. D. Blevans.
 Versailles Circuit, R. A. Allen.
 California Circuit, W. J. Brown.

D. L. Raden, transferred to Western Con-
 ference, and appointed to Oskaloosa Circuit.

John C. Duncan and W. F. Mister, trans-
 ferred to St. Louis Conference.

21.—MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PALMYRA, MO., *September 13-21, 1871.*

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; JOHN D. VINCIL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Lewis F. Linn, Philip C. Cooter,
 Addison L. Brewer, John G. Poage, Marshall
 Gregory, Cornelius A. Sherman, Hiram D.
 Groves, James L. Taylor, Joshua F. Monroe,
 Alvin P. Parker, John W. Perry, Alex. S.
 Doak, Henry B. Doak, Peter P. Doak, E.
 Melvin Mann, John W. Huffaker, Chaney
 Grimes. 17.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Horatio Linn, William Jackson, John W.
 Dusky, John Anderson, Robt. H. G. Keenan,
 Milton M. Hawkins, Joseph S. Allen. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Zachary Jones. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
 tion?

William Sartor, Eugene R. Hendrix, John
 S. Rooker. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John W. Ellis. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from
 other Conferences?

Wm. Henry Lewis, James S. Smith, B.
 Margeson, Arthur Kiergan, Geo. W. Prim-
 rose, Milton M. Hawkins, Jos. H. Ledbetter. 7.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Henry P. Bond, John B. Jewell, James A.
 Hyder, David F. Bone, S. W. Atterberry. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elect-
 ed deacons?

William Sartor, John S. Rooker. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are or-
 dained deacons?

Wm. Sartor, John S. Rooker. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected
 deacons?

Wm. McKendree Gillum, Hamilton W.
 Berry, John W. Perry, Alvin C. Fields,
 Thomas Pryor, J. W. Mathews. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained
 deacons?

Wm. McKendree Gillum, Hamilton W.
 Berry, John W. Perry, Alvin C. Fields, Ma-
 nopah P. Lay (elected last year). 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are
 elected elders?

Jos. Y. Blakey, Jos. Metcalf, Elmore Car-
 lyle, Thompson Penn, Presley D. Vandeven-
 ter. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are or-
 dained elders?

Jos. Y. Blakey, Jos. Metcalf, Elmore Car-
 lyle, Thompson Penn, Presley D. Vandeven-
 ter. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected
 elders?

James S. Nalley, T. F. C. James. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained
 elders?

James S. Nalley. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Geo. H. Newton, Wm. F. Thrasher, Hiter
 W. James. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Geo. W. Rich, Horace Brown, Wm. P.
 Wilson, Cyrus Doggett. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

George Smith, Tyson Dines, Thomas Hurst,
 Jesse Faubion, George Fentem, Thomas J.
 Starr. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Manoah Richardson, William Perkins. 2.

MANOAH RICHARDSON finished his course in Bloomington, Macon county, Mo., April 18, 1871. He was born in Lincoln county, Tennessee, June 21, 1814. He came to Missouri in early life with his father, settled in Chariton county, where, through the preaching of the cross, he was brought to see himself a sinner, and sought and obtained the pardoning mercy of God, and joined the Church in 1831. He felt it his duty to preach Jesus and the resurrection; was licensed to preach January 16, 1841; entered the itinerancy October 16, 1841, at Palmyra, Mo.; ordained deacon October 1, 1843, at Lexington, Mo., by Bishop Andrew; ordained elder October 7, 1845, at Columbia, Mo., by Bishop Soule. He itinerated six years. His health failing, he was superannuated. This relation continued for one year, when he located. In this sphere he labored for twenty years industriously and efficiently. He was in labors most abundant. Perhaps no local preacher ever excelled him in fidelity and zeal to promote the interest of the Church. He lives in the affections of the people among whom he labored. In the autumn of 1868, his way opened to the itinerant ranks. He applied to the Conference, was received, and appointed to Bloomington Circuit. In 1869 he was appointed to the Bucklin work, to which he was returned in 1870. During this Conference year his health was vacillating—generally poor. Often he was unable to go to his appointment, but still he went. Four weeks prior to his death he was confined to his bed, and ought, perhaps, to have remained there, but the interests of his work, together with a sense of duty, induced him to leave for an appointment. In three days he returned and resumed his place in bed to rise no more. The disease with which he was attacked was of an intermitting character, of which he was relieved; it then assumed a typhoid form, which terminated his life. We design no eulogy of the departed. He needs none. He was a good man and a faithful preacher on the cardinal principles of salvation. His declarations were clear and his testimony emphatic. Perhaps there was too much sameness in his sermons to maintain an interest in an audience accustomed to hear him. However this may have been, his word was owned and blessed of God. Souls were saved and God honored through his instrumentality. Two nights before his decease, when he was in the jaws of death, he was asked by a friend if he was aware of his condition. He said he was, and that all was clear; there was not a cloud. He was asked if he had any message to send to his brethren in the ministry. He said, "Tell them I die in the faith—that the gospel is all-sufficient." He then called his wife, referred to the past, the present, and the future, told her the parting time had come, and hoped to meet her where parting is unknown. He called

his eldest son, Henry, and committed to him the care of the family, expressing his gratification that he had embraced the Saviour, and exhorted him to faithfulness. He addressed his second son, Richard, who, during a revival, had been deeply penitent, and assured him of the mercy of God and his willingness to forgive. In the order of their ages he appropriately addressed each one of his children. Subsequently to the occurrence of this solemn scene, he seemed to rally, and hope was entertained of his possible recovery. But this hope was short-lived. To the careful observer he was gradually sinking. Just before he crossed the river, he said if his friends knew how anxious he was to go they would not weep, and without a struggle or a groan he fell asleep.

WM. PERKINS was born in Goochland county, Va., August 2, 1800, and, in his own words, was "born again" August 30, 1825. In 1824 he was happily married to Martha H. Fontaine, who to-day mourns a brief separation from her loved husband. He was licensed to preach in 1828, serving the Church in a local relation with great acceptability for twenty-five years. He was ordained deacon, March 3, 1833, at Petersburg, Va., by Bishop Hedding; ordained elder October 6, 1839, at Fayette, Mo., by Bishop Morris. At the session of 1853 he entered the itinerancy, and continued in this connection until he ceased at once to work and live. He filled various appointments on districts, stations, and circuits until last fall, when he was superannuated; even since then he has been attentive to his loved work of preaching Jesus and the resurrection. His disease was chronic and inveterate. Though a sufferer for years, it did not assume a malignant form until within a few weeks before his death, which occurred January 31, 1871, in the bosom of his loved and loving family. O how was the bliss of dying augmented by the presence of those dear ones who hung around his bed anticipating his every want, solacing and blessing his lingering moments on earth! His domestic relations were very happy, indeed. To his now stricken wife he ever exhibited those delicate attentions characteristic of the dignified Christian husband; to his children and grandchildren, gentleness, ready and wise counsel, and intense solicitude for their happiness, were marked developments of his character. Brother Perkins, as a preacher, was too well known to require panegyric. He was able and faithful—a man of culture and extensive research, which, however, he never obtruded in his pulpit ministrations. There he was the simple, earnest "messenger of God," whose trumpet gave no uncertain sound. He was a gifted and useful minister of the New Testament, delighting and glorying in the cross of Christ. He loved the word of God above all books, and has (as his memoranda show) read that precious volume through about every six months since 1865. All the time during his last illness he was in a very happy frame of

mind, exhorting all his friends to increased faithfulness in the service of God. It would occupy too much space to detail all the utterances of this dying saint. On the 23d, his pastor, Rev. William Warren, visited and found him "quite on the verge of heaven." He desired to partake of the Lord's-supper with his loved family once more before his departure, which was accordingly administered by Brother Warren amidst sobs and praises. Jesus entered into the charmed circle, as the following words of the dying veteran will attest: "I want you, my dear wife, to continue to live the life of the righteous." "O how my soul yearns for Wayne (his grandson)! Brother Warren, tell all the preachers to read the Bible more, pray more, and preach more faithfully." "Tell all the members of the Conference how much I love them, and though I will not be with them in the body at the next session, I have no doubt but I will in spirit. I shall hear their reports, and O how anxiously shall I listen for the report from Linneus. Brother Warren, farewell! my brother, farewell! and may God bless and be with you until we meet again! And now, children, when it becomes evident that I am dying, you must all gather around my bed and sing:

O sing to me of heaven,
When I am called to die.

And if I am able I will join you, and, if conscious, will fold my arms across my breast and embrace my blessed Saviour." Columns might be written of the ecstatic expressions falling from the lips of our dying brother. He desired Brother Warren to preach his funeral sermon before interment. This sad trust was faithfully discharged February 3d, at the church, in the presence of a large congregation of weeping auditors. When his calm face was uncovered for the last view, the great congregation was moved with emotion as each filed by and looked upon one of the serenest and most life-like of faces ever seen in the dead.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed. Thomas B. King had withdrawn.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

St. Charles District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Charles Station.....	150	.....	.....
Cottleville Circuit.....	144	7	1
Wentzville Circuit.....	370	.....	.....
Wright City Circuit.....	264	2	2
Jonesburg Circuit.....	291	.....	4
New Florence Circuit.....	227	.....	.....
Westport Mission.....	222	.....	2
Portland Circuit.....	210	.....	.....
Auburn Circuit.....	320	.....	3

St. Charles District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Montgomery City Circuit.....	228	.....	.....
Ashley Circuit.....	192	.....	1
Louisiana Station.....	150	.....	.....
Clarksville Circuit.....	306	.....	3
	3068	9	16

Fayette District.

Fayette Station.....	98	.....	1
Fayette Circuit.....	383	.....	3
Glasgow Circuit.....	205	.....	2
Sturgeon Circuit.....	222	.....	2
Centralia Circuit.....	193	.....	.....
Mexico Station.....	320	1	2
Mexico Circuit.....	44	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove Circuit.....	213	.....	3
Fulton Circuit.....	245	.....	.....
Bloomfield Circuit.....	254	1	.....
Ashland Circuit.....	211	.....	1
Rochepoint Circuit.....	476	.....	4
Columbia Station.....	149	.....	.....
Perche Mission.....	56	.....	.....
	3069	2	18

Hannibal District.

Hannibal Station.....	242	.....	1
Hydesburg Circuit.....	250	2	.....
Palmyra Station.....	146	1	.....
Lagrange Circuit.....	357	.....	1
Monticello Circuit.....	410	.....	2
Alexandria Circuit.....	160	.....	1
Kahoka Mission.....	93	.....	1
Williamstown Circuit.....	183	.....	3
Newark Circuit.....	225	2	1
Sharpsburg Circuit.....	177	1	1
Shelbyville Circuit.....	522	3	2
Florida Circuit.....	235	.....	1
Santa Fe Circuit.....	125	.....	.....
	3125	9	14

Macon District.

Macon Station.....	122	.....	.....
Bloomington Circuit.....	250	.....	2
La Plata Circuit.....	143	.....	2
Lancaster Mission.....	189	.....	.....
Edina Mission.....	272	5	2
Sue City Mission.....	91	.....	1
Memphis Circuit.....	296	.....	2
Clarence Circuit.....	424	.....	1
Middlegrove Circuit.....	218	5	2
Huntsville Circuit.....	494	5	2
Paris Circuit.....	252	.....	.....
	2751	15	14

Chillicothe District.

Chillicothe Station.....	253	.....	3
Chillicothe Circuit.....	187	.....	1
Linneus Circuit.....	253	1	2
Bucklin Mission.....	305	.....	3
Greencastle Mission.....	62	1	3
Milan Mission.....	410	.....	9
Lineville Circuit.....	160	.....	.....
Spring Hill Circuit.....	622	3	3
	2252	5	24

Carrollton District.

Carrollton Station.....	240	.....	1
Norbonne Circuit.....	351	.....	3
Richmond Station.....	227	.....	1
Millville Circuit.....	577	1	3
Pleasant Park Circuit.....	300	.....	2

Carrollton District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Brunswick Station	81	.....	1
Keytesville Circuit.....	333	.....	2
Salisbury Circuit.....	401	1	1
Camden Circuit.....	188	.....	2
	2698	2	16

Plattsburg District.

Plattsburg Circuit.....	240	.....	2
Liberty Circuit.....	378	.....	.....
Haynesville Circuit.....	307	1	1
Lathrop Circuit.....	120	.....	1
Osborne Circuit.....	293	.....	2
Breckenridge Circuit.....	187	2	.....
Stewartsville Circuit.....	135	1	.....
Albany Circuit.....	382	.....	3
Bethany Circuit.....	209	.....	2
Pattonsburg Circuit.....	197	.....	.....
Gallatin Station.....	125	.....	.....
	2573	4	11

St. Joseph District.

St. Joseph Station.....	346	1
St. Joseph Mission.....	67	.....	1
Rushville Circuit.....	287	.....	6
New Market Circuit.....	140	.....	1
Winthrop Mission.....	170	.....	.....
Weston Station.....	145	.....	.....
Platte City Circuit.....	332	.....	1
Savannah Circuit.....	217	.....	.....
Forest City Circuit.....	170	.....	.....
Rockport Circuit.....	150	.....	2
Maryville Circuit.....	320	.....	4
	2344	.....	16

Recapitulation.

St. Charles District.....	3068	9	16
Fayette ".....	3069	2	18
Hannibal ".....	3125	9	14
Macon ".....	2751	15	14
Chillicothe ".....	2252	5	24
Carrollton ".....	2698	2	16
Plattsburg ".....	2573	4	11
St. Joseph ".....	2344	.....	16
Total this year.....	21,880	46	129
Total last year.....	20,098	133	119
Increase	1782	.....	10
Decrease		87	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
679.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1976.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
225.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1883.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
11,539.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2114 25.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2114 25

Applied as follows:

Mrs. M. Richardson and 2 children,	\$100 00
Mrs. D. Leeper and 5 children,	375 00
Mrs. E. Robinson and child,	50 00
W. G. Caples's 3 children,	275 00
Mrs. Lannius,	150 00
Mrs. J. F. Young,	150 00
Mrs. Nancy Ketron,	125 00
Mrs. George Saxton,	150 00
R. C. Hatton's child,	80 00
H. H. Hedgepeth's child,	50 00
Th. J. Starr,	115 00
Jesse Faubion,	115 00
Mrs. Wm. Perkins,	150 00
Daniel Penny,	14 25

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Missions,	\$3180 10
Old Debt,	1300 00

\$4480 10

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Mexico, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. CHARLES DISTRICT.

Wills E. Dockery, P. E.

St. Charles Station, Wm. H. Lewis.

Cottleville Circuit, Joseph Dines.

Wentzville Circuit, P. D. Vandeverter, Henry Kay.

Wright City Circuit, Lawson A. Smith.

Jonesburg Circuit, J. S. Allan.

Ashley Circuit, L. F. Linn.

Louisiana Station, W. T. Ellington.

Clarksville Circuit, W. A. Tarwater.

Auburn Circuit, R. G. Loving.

Alexandria Circuit, to be supplied (by I. A. M. Thompson).

Nineveh Mission, to be supplied (by John Dryden).

MEXICO DISTRICT.

J. P. Nolan, P. E.

Mexico Station, H. A. Bourland.

Mexico Mission, Horatio Linn.

Pleasant Grove Circuit, Wm. Warren.

Fulton Circuit, Thompson Penn.

Bloomfield Circuit, W. M. Sutton.

Portland Circuit, S. L. Woody.

New Florence Circuit, H. H. Craig.

Montgomery Circuit, Jesse Sutton.

Santa Fe Circuit, A. Doak.

Middlegrove Circuit, L. Baldwin.

Conference Missionary, A. Monroe.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.

Wm. Penn, P. E.

Fayette Station, J. H. Ledbetter.

Fayette Circuit, George W. Penn.

Glasgow Station, T. J. Gooch.
 Salisbury Circuit, S. Alexander.
 Moberly Station, H. P. Bond.
 Sturgeon Circuit, T. Demoss, G. W. Rich, Sup.
 Centralia Circuit, H. D. Groves.
 Ashland Circuit, J. F. Monroe.
 Columbia Station, J. D. Vincil.
 Rockport Circuit, D. H. Root.
 Perche Mission, to be supplied (by W. B. Hatton).
 Central College, F. X. Forster and W. G. Miller, Professors.

MACON DISTRICT.

Walter Toole, P. E.

Macon Station, E. R. Hendrix.
 Bloomington Circuit, W. M. Wood.
 Kirksville Circuit, W. J. Jackson.
 Lancaster Mission, to be supplied.
 Memphis Circuit, C. W. Collett.
 Edina Circuit, C. A. Sherman.
 Sue City Mission, John Anderson.
 Clarence Circuit, D. C. Blackwell.
 Shelby Circuit, W. F. Bell.
 Paris Circuit, S. Smith.
 Huntsville Circuit, A. P. Linn, H. Brown, Sup.

CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.

Wm. W. Jones, P. E.

Chillicothe Station, M. B. Chapman.
 Chillicothe Circuit, J. W. Huffaker.
 Spring Hill Circuit, D. Penny.
 Breckenridge Circuit, R. H. G. Keeran.
 Mandiville Circuit, D. F. Bone.
 Norbonne Circuit, J. F. Shores, P. P. Doak.
 Carrollton Station, R. A. Austin.
 Brunswick and Keytesville Station, J. Y. Blakey, to be supplied (by C. Doggett).
 Keytesville Circuit, W. Sartor.
 Bucklin Circuit, M. G. Gregory.
 Linneus Circuit, B. F. Johnson.

PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.

S. W. Cope, P. E.

Plattsburg Circuit, J. Devlin.
 Osborn Circuit, C. Grimes.
 Weston Station, H. W. Currin.
 Platte City Circuit, D. R. Shackelford.
 Liberty and Missouri City, to be supplied.
 Camden Circuit, J. Metcalf.
 Richmond Station, W. M. Newland.
 Millville Circuit, R. N. T. Holliday.
 Knoxville Circuit, J. S. Rooker.
 Gosneyville Circuit, C. Babcock.
 Haynesville Circuit, W. P. Wilson, Sup.

ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.

Wm. A. Mayhew, P. E.

St. Joseph:
 Francis Street, C. L. Vandeventer.
 Tenth Street, Squire W. Atterberry.

Winthrop Circuit, P. Cooter.
 Rushville Circuit, B. Margeson.
 New Market Circuit, J. C. C. Davis.
 Stewardsville Circuit, J. Dusky.
 Savannah Circuit, H. A. Davis.
 Filmore Circuit, E. M. Mann.
 Forest City Circuit, M. M. Hawkins.
 Rockport and Hamburg Mission, to be supplied (by R. B. Cox).
 Maryville Circuit, A. P. Parker.
 Central College, W. M. Rush, Agent.

GALLATIN DISTRICT.

John A. Mumpower, P. E.

Gallatin Station, J. B. Jewell.
 Edinburgh Circuit, E. Buck.
 Pattonsburg Circuit, R. H. Jordan.
 Milan Circuit, A. Spencer.
 Greencastle Mission, to be supplied (by W. Maggart).
 Lineville Circuit, J. W. Ellis.
 Unionville Mission, to be supplied (by H. Berry).
 Princeton Mission, H. B. Doak.
 Bethany Circuit, J. W. Perry.
 Decatur City Mission, to be supplied (by S. W. Bergin).
 Albany Circuit, J. A. Hider.

HANNIBAL DISTRICT.

W. W. McMurry, P. E.

Hannibal Station, J. H. Pritchett.
 Hydesburg Circuit, B. H. Spencer.
 Palmyra Station, J. W. Cunningham.
 Monroe City Circuit, J. R. Taylor.
 Florida Circuit, G. Tanquary.
 Shelbyville Circuit, L. Rush.
 Newark Circuit, James L. Taylor.
 Lagrange Circuit, James Penn, one to be supplied.
 Canton Station, to be supplied.
 Monticello Circuit, G. W. Primrose.
 Williamstown Circuit, J. J. Poage.
 Alexandria and Kahoka Missions, E. Carlisle, one to be supplied (by A. J. Worley).
 Palmyra Seminary, S. J. Huffaker, Principal.
 Shelby High School, J. W. Adkisson, Principal.
 Monticello Seminary, M. McIlhany, Principal.

Jesse Bird, transferred to Western Conference, and appointed to Nebraska Station.

John H. Threlkeld, transferred to Illinois Conference, and appointed to Douglas Circuit.

Addison L. Brower, transferred to Western Conference, and appointed to Virginia City Circuit.

22.—WESTERN CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COUNCIL GROVE, KANSAS, *Aug. 30–Sept. 3, 1871.*BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; JOSEPH KING, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John W. Faubion, Isaiah Drake, Richard H. Grinstead, Richard K. Higgins, George B. Armstrong. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

N. G. Faubion, Thomas R. Hedgepeth. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Wilcher L. Pendleton. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Thomas C. Downs, George J. Warren, Edwin J. Stanley. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Arthur Hawkins, John J. Snodgrass. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Samuel J. Catlin, from the Illinois Conference; John E. Treadwell, from the Alabama Conference; William P. Caples, from the Missouri Conference; William W. Jarred, from the Tennessee Conference; John C. Hyden, from the Holston Conference; Berridge Margeson, Thomas Muxlow, and John Garton, from the United Methodist Free Churches of England. 8.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

William A. Hanna, A. V. Bayley, William P. Caples. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas C. Downs, Edwin J. Stanley, George J. Warren. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas C. Downs, Edwin J. Stanley, George J. Warren. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

B. N. Stevenson. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

B. N. Stevenson. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Ebenezer G. Frazier. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Ebenezer G. Frazier. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

William Bradford, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joab Spencer. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Leavenworth District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Leavenworth Station.....	125	.....	1
Leavenworth Circuit.....	163	.....	.....
Wyandotte Station.....	39	.....	.....
Wyandotte Circuit.....	230	.....	2
Troy Circuit.....	108	.....	2
Oskaloosa Circuit.....	180	.....	2
Holton Circuit.....	149	.....	2
Achison Station.....	60	.....	.....
Wamego Circuit.....	30	.....	.....
Waterville Circuit.....	75	.....	.....
	1159	.....	9

Shawneetown District.

Shawneetown Circuit.....	200	.....	3
Paola Circuit.....	160	.....	1
Mound City Circuit.....	15	.....	.....
Fort Scott Circuit.....	54	.....	1
Baxter Springs Circuit.....	38	.....	.....
Chetopa Circuit.....	18	.....	1
Ottawa Circuit.....	12	.....	.....
Tecumseh Circuit.....	21	.....	.....
	518	.....	6

Council Grove District.

Council Grove Circuit.....	99	1
Augusta Circuit.....	24	.....	.....
Cottonwood Circuit.....	2	.....	.....
	125	.....	1

Nebraska City District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Nebraska City Station.....	127	.....	.....
Rock Bluff Circuit.....	96	.....	1
St. Stephen's Circuit.....	35	.....	1
	258	.....	2

Montana District.

Helena Station.....	25	.....	.....
Gallatin Circuit.....	22
Bozeman Circuit.....	46
	93

Denver City District.

Denver City Station.....	25
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Leavenworth Colored District.

Leavenworth Station.....	40	2
Kansas Station.....	25
Monroe Circuit.....	.....	75	.....
Independence Circuit.....	.....	25	.....
	.....	165	2

Recapitulation.

Leavenworth District.....	1159	.....	9
Shawneetown ".....	518	.....	6
Council Grove ".....	125	.....	1
Nebraska City ".....	258	.....	2
Montana ".....	93	.....	.....
Denver City ".....	25	.....	.....
Leavenworth Col'd ".....	.....	165	2
Total this year.....	2138	165	20
Total last year.....(Indians 37)	1538	133	11
Increase.....	600	32	9
Decrease.....(Indians 37)			

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

110.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

279.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

27.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

216.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

1439.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

No claimants.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$56 50.

Applied to the deficiency of the Bishop's claim by order of the Conference.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$143 65.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Nebraska City, Nebraska.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LEAVENWORTH DISTRICT.

Joseph King, P. E.

Leavenworth Station, W. P. Caples.
Leavenworth Circuit, John C. Hyden.
Atchison Station, W. A. Hanna.
Atchison Circuit, John W. Faubion.
Troy Circuit, Thomas R. Hedgepeth.
Holton Circuit, D. C. O'Howell.
Oskaloosa Circuit, to be supplied.
Wyandotte Station, William Barnett.
Wyandotte Circuit, T. C. Downs.
Nebraska City Station, to be supplied.
Rock Bluff Circuit, Thomas Muxlow.
Beatrice Circuit, John Garton.
St. Stephen's Circuit, to be supplied.

SHAWNEETOWN DISTRICT.

Charles Boles, P. E.

Shawneetown Circuit, G. J. Warren.
Tecumseh Circuit, A. Williams.
Black Bob Circuit, to be supplied.
Paola Circuit, A. V. Bayley.
Mound City Circuit, G. W. Evans.
Fort Scott Station, A. Hawkins.
Fort Scott Circuit, G. B. Armstrong.
Baxter Springs Circuit, N. G. Faubion.
Chetopa Circuit, to be supplied.
Ottawa Circuit, to be supplied.
Lightning Creek Circuit, to be supplied.
Wakarusha Circuit, to be supplied.

COUNCIL GROVE DISTRICT.

Jacob McEwen, P. E.

Council Grove Circuit, to be supplied (by J. O. Foresman).
Marion Centre Circuit, to be supplied (by O. P. Noble).
Augusta Circuit, W. W. Jarred.
Humboldt Circuit, to be supplied.
Fall River Circuit, J. J. Snodgrass.
Emporia Circuit, to be supplied.
Clark's Creek Circuit, Oscar Smithson.
Independence Circuit, R. H. Grinstead.
Wamego Circuit, R. K. Higgins.
Waterville Circuit, Isaiah Drake.

COLORADO DISTRICT.

A. A. Morrison, P. E.

Denver City Station, A. A. Morrison.
Pueblo Circuit, to be supplied.
Cannon City Circuit, to be supplied.
Platte River Circuit, to be supplied.
Golden City Circuit, to be supplied.
Central City Circuit, to be supplied.
Georgetown Circuit, to be supplied.

HELENA DISTRICT.

L. B. Stateler, P. E.

Helena Station, to be supplied.
 Diamond City Circuit, to be supplied.
 Radersbunge Circuit, E. J. Stanley.
 Gallatin Circuit, C. W. Sandford.
 Virginia City Circuit, to be supplied.
 Bozeman City Circuit, W. L. Blackwell.
 Silver Star Circuit, to be supplied.

DEER LODGE CITY DISTRICT.

S. J. Catlin, P. E.

Deer Lodge City Station, S. J. Catlin.
 Missoola City Circuit, E. G. Frazier.

Bitter Root Valley Circuit, to be supplied.
 Gold Creek Circuit, John E. Treadwell.
 Silver Bow Circuit, to be supplied.

LEAVENWORTH COLORED DISTRICT.

Moses White, P. E.

Leavenworth Station, Moses White.
 Monroe Circuit, to be supplied.
 Independence Circuit, to be supplied.
 Kansas City Circuit, to be supplied.

James S. Smith, Berridge Margeson, W. H. Lewis, A. Kiergan, transferred to the Missouri Conference.

23.—INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BOGGY DEPOT, C. N., October 4-8, 1871.

BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; JOHN HARRELL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Gibson Battiest. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

T. K. B. McSpadden, John Sevier, Heavy Butler, Charles Campbell. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

David T. Holmes, Thomas W. Mitchell. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas Colbert, Gibson Battiest. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas Colbert, Gibson Battiest. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Thomas K. B. McSpadden. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed—except John C. Robinson; complaints were entered against him, and his case was referred to the Presiding Elder of the Chickasaw District for investigation.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Chickasaw District.

	White Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Boggy Creek.....	3	315	28	4
Tishamingo Circuit.....	29	120	75	1
Kiamichi Circuit.....	4	294	15	4
Doaksville Circuit.....	14	383	74	5
Chickasaw Circuit.....	4	120	.....	4
Jack's Fork Circuit.....	10	170	9	2
	64	1402	201	20

Choctaw District.

	White Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Schulleyville Circuit.....	22	131	13	4
San Bois Circuit.....	.....	112	2	5
Mashulatubbee Circuit.....	.....	140	.....	3
Perryville Circuit.....	1	53	2	1
	23	436	17	13

Cherokee District.

Tahlequah Circuit.....	8	94	10	1
Canadian Circuit.....	5	205	.....	1
Salesaw Circuit.....	4	290	.....	3
Grand River Circuit.....	10	150	.....	4
Flint Circuit.....	2	69	.....	1
Barren Fork Circuit.....	1	187	.....	1
Fort Gibson Station.....	4	12	6	.....
Spring Creek Circuit.....	1	217	15	6
	35	1224	31	17

Creek District.

North Fork Circuit.....	5	188	12	3
Ocmulgee Circuit.....	.....	554	.....	6
Creek Agency Circuit.....	.....	264	173	.....
Little River Circuit.....	.....	262	.....	2
	5	1268	185	11

Recapitulation.

Chickasaw District.....	64	1402	201	20
Choctaw ".....	23	436	17	13
Cherokee ".....	35	1224	31	17
Creek ".....	5	1268	185	11
Total this year.....	127	4330	434	61
Total last year.....	139	3833	437	54
Increase.....		497		7
Decrease.....	12		3	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

303.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

439.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

8.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

22.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

230.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

No appropriation.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Nothing.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$378 33.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At North Fork, Creek Nation.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

John Harrell, P. E.

Fort Gibson Station, Thos. B. Ruble.

Tahlequah Circuit, Thos. K. B. McSpadden.

Spring Creek Circuit, Isaac Saunders.

Grand River Circuit, D. B. Cummings, Elijah Butler.

Barren Fork Circuit, to be supplied (by Flute).

Flint Circuit, Young Ewing.

Salesaw Circuit, to be supplied (by J. S. Miller, Heavy Butler).

Canadian Circuit, John Sevier.

Prairie Grove Circuit, Charles Campbell.

Honey Hill Circuit, Walter A. Duncan.

Bayou Bernard Colored Charge, to be supplied.

CHOCTAW DISTRICT.

James G. Bryce, P. E.

Schulleyville Circuit, to be supplied (by Aby S. Smith).

Mashulatubbee Circuit, to be supplied (by Boling Perry).

San Bayou Circuit, to be supplied (by Robert Jackson).

Perryville Circuit, Stephen P. Hicks.

Long Creek Circuit, Gibson Battiest.

Brazie Colored Charge, to be supplied.

New Hope Seminary, James G. Bryce, Sup.

Interpreter for the District, Willis Folsom.

CHICKASAW DISTRICT.

Jesse H. Walker, P. E.

Tishamingo Circuit, to be supplied.

Boggy Circuit, to be supplied (by Jefferson Long).

Chickasaw Circuit, to be supplied.

Kiamichi Circuit, to be supplied.

Doakesville Circuit, Simon P. Willis.

Jack's Fork Circuit, to be supplied (by Moses Perry).

Doakesville Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Nathan Madison).

Boggy Depot Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Charles Anderson).

Blue Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Henry Kemp).

CREEK DISTRICT.

Thomas W. Mitchell, P. E.

Ocmulgee Circuit, to be supplied.

North Fork Circuit, to be supplied (by Cesar).

Creek Agency Circuit, James McHenry.

Little River Circuit, to be supplied.

Verdigris Circuit, to be supplied.

Cane Creek Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Peter Stidham).

Asbury Manual Labor School, David T. Holmes.

24.—ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT VAN BUREN, ARK., *October 18-23, 1871.*BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; C. H. GREGORY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Jas. L. Hays, E. M. Collum, Jas. C. Daily. 3. Samuel McCurdy, of the M. E. Church (North), presented his credentials as an elder in said Church, and was recognized as a transfer to this Conference on trial.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Nathanael Futrell, Wm. H. Corby, Wm. J. Dodson, Thomas J. Reynolds, Francis A. Taff, Jerome Haralson, John H. Hall, Edward J. Dawne. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Jesse M. King, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Francis A. Taff, Wm. E. Whittenburg, Jas. A. Walden, George R. Bryce. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

R. N. Francis, Hastings Pucket, S. D. Gaines. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Van Buren Tate, George Fair, Coleman H. Ford, Isaac T. Rice. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

George R. Bryce, Jas. A. Walden, Jerome Haralson. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Wm. E. Whittenburg, George R. Bryce, Jerome Haralson, James A. Walden. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

James M. Shinn, Jas. Crews, Thomas Sutton, Wm. R. McVay, Wm. F. Baxter, W. H. H. Oyler, Green O'Daniel, N. W. Vance, J. J. Henson. 9.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Wm. F. Baxter, J. J. Henson. 2. Reuben Carter (colored).

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Sidney H. Babcock. 1. J. C. Daily, of the M. E. Church (North), having been duly ordained elder in said Church, on presentation of his credentials, and appearing before the Conference, was recognized as an elder in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Sidney H. Babcock. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

H. M. Redus, J. C. Hawkins. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

John W. Eeds, Henry G. Rind. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Wm. M. Mathis, Alexander Mathis, Hugh A. Barnett. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

John W. Bewley, R. A. Allison, Eli C. Jones, M. B. Pearson. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Stephen P. Farish. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Clarksville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Clarksville Circuit.....	310	.....	2
Spadra Circuit.....	245	.....	3
Dover Circuit.....	205	.....	.....
Gally Rock Circuit.....	141	.....	1
Lewisburg Station.....	80	.....	.....
Cadron Circuit.....	467	.....	5
Lewisburg Circuit.....	294	1	6
East Fork Circuit.....	250	.....	.....
Clinton Circuit.....	309	.....	1
Dardanelle Station.....	83	.....	1
Dardanelle Circuit.....	205	.....	1
Danville Circuit.....	295	.....	4
Bluffton Circuit.....	238	.....	5
	3122	1	29

Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville Circuit.....	535	1	6
Viney Grove Circuit.....	488	.....	1
Evansville Circuit.....	213	.....	3
Maysville Circuit.....	236	.....	5
Center Point Circuit.....	226	.....	3
Bentonville Circuit.....	294	1	2

Fayetteville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richland Circuit.....	108	3	.....
White River Circuit.....	222	.....	3
Huntsville Circuit.....	209	2	3
	2531	7	26

Fort Smith District.

Fort Smith Station.....	52	1
Fort Smith Circuit.....	234	18	4
Greenwood Circuit.....	335	.....	9
Waldron Circuit.....	350	.....	6
Rich Mountain Mission.....	82	1	2
Shoal Creek Circuit.....	360	3	5
Ozark Circuit.....	256	.....	3
Van Buren Station.....	61	.....	.....
Van Buren Circuit.....	213	.....	3
Boonville Circuit.....	244	1	1
	2187	23	34

Yellville District.

Yellville Circuit.....	.....	3	3
Crooked Creek Circuit.....	314	4	8
Carrollton Circuit.....	267	2	3
Jasper Mission.....	44	.....	3
Berryville Circuit.....	93	2	1
Mount Home Circuit.....	235	.....	3
Centerville Mission.....	87	.....	1
Marshall Circuit.....	250	.....	.....
Flatwoods Circuit.....	400	.....	5
	1690	11	27

Recapitulation.

Clarksville District.....	3122	1	29
Fayetteville ".....	2531	7	26
Fort Smith ".....	2187	23	34
Yellville ".....	1690	11	27
Total this year.....	9,530	42	116
Total last year.....	7,853	35	86
Increase.....	1,677	7	30

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
397.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
891.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
71.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
404.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
2793.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$500.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$298 90.

Applied to superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$738 15.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Bentonville, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

Thomas Wainwright, P. E.

Fayetteville Circuit, S. D. Gaines.

Bentonville Circuit, J. C. Daily.

Viney Grove and Boonsboro Station, Jerome Haralson.

Center Point Circuit, Thomas J. Smith.

Bloomfield Circuit, Isaac T. Rice.

Illinois Mission, R. N. Francis.

Evansville Circuit, R. C. Achtley.

Sulphur Springs Circuit, David Sturdy

White River Circuit, to be supplied.

Hindsville Circuit, Wm. H. Corley.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

Francis M. Moore, P. E.

Fort Smith Station, S. S. Key.

Fort Smith Circuit, H. M. Granade.

Greenwood Circuit, George R. Bryce.

Charleston Circuit, to be supplied.

Waldron Circuit, F. A. Taff.

Boonville Circuit, Thomas J. Reynolds.

Shoal Creek Circuit and Mission, to be supplied.

Bluffton Circuit, George F. Fair.

South Fourche Mission, to be supplied (by N. E. Fair).

Cairo Creek Circuit, H. M. Youngblood.

VAN BUREN DISTRICT.

H. R. Withers, P. E.

Van Buren Station, Sidney H. Babcock.

Van Buren Circuit, to be supplied.

Boston Mountain Mission, G. H. Warren.

Ozark and Roseville Station, Hastings Puckett.

Ozark Circuit, John M. Clayton.

Spadra Circuit, J. L. Hays.

Clarksville Circuit, B. Williams.

Piney Mission, to be supplied.

DARDANELLE DISTRICT.

F. F. Roberts, P. E.

Dardanelle Station, E. J. Dawne.

Dardanelle Circuit, W. J. Dodson.

Galla Rock Circuit, Isaac L. Hicks.

Point Remove Mission, to be supplied (by J. W. Bowden).

Cadron Circuit, J. F. Hall, M. B. Pearson, Sup.

Lewisburg Station, Nathanael Futrell.

Lewisburg Circuit, W. R. Knowlton.

East Fork Circuit, A. C. Ray.

Clinton Circuit, Wm. E. Wittenburg.

Quitman Institute, P. A. Moses.

Lewisburg Seminary, Isham L. Burrow.

YELLVILLE DISTRICT.

C. H. Gregory, P. E.

Yellville Circuit, to be supplied (by Green O'Daniel).

Belfont and Yellville Station, Jas. A. Walden.

Mountain Home Circuit, Van Buren Tate.

Flatwoods Circuit, John H. Hall, sen., E. M. Collum, jr.

Marshall Circuit, Jesse Griffin.

Belfont Circuit, James Grant, Eli C. Jones, Sup.

Carrollton Circuit, to be supplied (by Joseph Wright).

Berryville Circuit, D. W. Evans.

Huntsville Circuit, to be supplied.

25.—WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BATESVILLE, ARK., November 15-19, 1871.

BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; JAMES WICKERSHAM, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Thomas A. Craig, John J. Alexander, James M. Talkington, James Denton, Joseph L. Short. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Joseph Parker, Thomas Vincent, Edwin A. Garrison, Stephen D. Evans, William J. Ross, Thomas J. Settles, William C. Malone, Leroy D. Webb, Fletcher A. Ellis. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Wesley M. Whitehead, Nathanael G. Murphy, Dudley W. Reid, Calvin S. Floyd, John H. Porter. 5.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Robert Blassingame, Mortimer B. Pearson, Reuben W. Massey, Robert G. Britton, John J. Prather, John F. Armstrong, Benjamin F. Hall, Arthur Davis. 8.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

William M. Watson, James L. Denton. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Edwin A. Garrison. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Edwin A. Garrison. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Allen M. Jones, James M. Talkington, Ezekiel T. Church, James Denton, Emory S. Pearson. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Allen M. Jones, James M. Talkington, Ezekiel T. Church, James Denton, Emory S.

Pearson, Wm. H. H. Oyler, Thomas Sutton, William R. McVey, William N. Green, Jeremiah J. Bean. 10.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Nathan E. Brady, William H. Jernigan, James H. Baxter, Henry T. Blythe. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Nathan E. Brady, Wm. H. Jernigan. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Robert Blassingame, E. W. Coleman, J. P. Webb. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Ed. T. Jones, Mortimer B. Pearson. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

William A. Cobb. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Batesville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Batesville Station	65	.....	1
Batesville Circuit	346	1	3
Bethesda Circuit	400	1	4
Smithville Circuit	300	1	4

Batesville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Pocahontas and Powhatan Station ...	31	.....	.....
Pocahontas Circuit.....	300	1	5
Mammoth Spring Circuit.....	200	.....	4.
Evening Shade Circuit.....	410	3	1
Salem Circuit.....	168	.....	4
La Crosse Circuit.....	503	.....	10
Big Creek Circuit.....	327	.....	5
	3050	7	41

Jacksonport District.

Jacksonport Station.....	107	1	1
Jacksonport Circuit.....	270	.....	1
Augusta Circuit.....	247	.....	2
Cotton Plant Circuit.....	110	.....	1
Pleasant Valley Circuit.....	101	.....	2
Searcy Station.....	129	.....	1
Searcy Circuit.....	550	.....	2
Cadron Circuit.....	135	.....	2
Black River Circuit (divided and absorbed).....	.....	.....	.....
Cherokee Bay.....	140	.....	.....
Prospect Bluff.....	175	.....	1
Grand Glaze.....	179	.....	2
Bayou Des Ark.....	223	.....	2
	2366	1	17

Helena District.

Helena Station.....	50
Helena Circuit.....	179	.....	1
Long Lake Ct. (was not organized)...	.....	.....	.....
Trenton Circuit.....	157	.....	5
Mariana Circuit.....	42	.....	.....
Prairie Circuit.....	100	.....	3
Clarendon and Macedonia Station....	64	.....	.....
Shady Grove.....	95	.....	1
	678	.....	10

Harrisburg District.

Harrisburg Circuit.....	318
Wittsburg Circuit.....	309	.....	7
Taylor's Creek Circuit.....	238	.....	.....
Forest City Circuit.....	155	.....	.....
Jonesboro Circuit.....	445	14	3
Greensboro Circuit.....	376	4	7
Maumelle Ct. (was not organized)....	.....	.....	.....
Gainsville Circuit.....	367	.....	3
Bayou De View (was not organized)....	.....	.....	.....
	2208	18	20

Mississippi District.

Osceola Circuit.....	270	.....	2
Marion Circuit.....	165	.....	1
Frenchman's Bayou Circuit.....	70	.....	1
Walnut Bend Circuit.....	20	.....	.....
Elm Bend Ct. (was not organized) ...	.....	.....	.....
	525	.....	4

Recapitulation.

Batesville District.....	3050	7	41
Jacksonport ".....	2366	1	17
Helena ".....	678	.....	10
Harrisburg ".....	2208	18	20
Mississippi ".....	525	.....	4
Total this year.....	8827	26	92
Total last year.....	8249	163	90
Increase.....	578	.....	2
Decrease.....		137	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
393.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
832.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
78.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
388.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
2627.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$737 60

Applied as follows:
Sister Cowle, 393 80
Sister Carlile, 343 80
\$737 60

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$437 20.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Augusta, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

JACKSONPORT DISTRICT.

G. A. Dannelly, P. E.

Jacksonport Station, J. H. Dye.
Jacksonport Circuit, Edwin A. Garrison.
Pleasant Valley Circuit, Stephen D. Evans.
Augusta Circuit, C. H. Ellis, E. T. Jones, Sup.
Cotton Plant Circuit., Thomas H. Howard.
Searcy Station, James Mackay.
Searcy Circuit, James M. Talkington, M. B. Pearson, Sup.
West Point Circuit, Robert G. Britton.
Prospect Bluff Circuit, Thomas Vincent.
Grand Glaze Circuit, to be supplied (by Nathan E. Brady).
Richwoods Mission, to be supplied.
Black River Mission, to be supplied.
Agent American Bible Society, John Rhyne.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

B. Lee, P. E.

Batesville Station, Edgar Orgain.
Batesville Circuit, Fletcher A. Ellis.
Bethesda Circuit, A. R. Bennick.
Big Creek Circuit, to be supplied (by Thomas M. Lane).
La Crosse Circuit, M. C. Morris.
Salem Circuit, B. F. Hall.
Evening Shade Circuit, Joseph L. Short.
Smithville Circuit, to be supplied (by Wm. H. Phipps).
Pocahontas Station, William M. Watson.

Pocahontas Circuit, to be supplied (by J. Robinson).
Walnut Hill Mission, Joseph Parker.

HELENA DISTRICT.

W. T. Noe, P. E.

Helena Station, James L. Denton.
Helena Circuit, John J. Prather.
Trenton Circuit, John J. Alexander.
Clarendon Station, W. W. Gillespie.
Clarendon Circuit, Thomas A. Craig.
Brinkley Circuit, William C. Malone.
Mariana Circuit, Reuben W. Massey.
Laconia Circuit, William J. Ross.

HARRISBURG DISTRICT.

J. M. Steel, P. E.

Harrisburg Circuit, to be supplied (by John F. Armstrong).
Wittsburg Circuit, E. M. Baker.
Taylor's Creek Circuit, John W. Walkup.
Forest City Circuit, Arthur Davis.
Jonesboro Circuit, to be supplied.

Greensboro Circuit, to be supplied (by David B. Warren).
Maumelle Mission, L. D. Webb.
Gainesville Circuit, to be supplied.
Bayou De View Circuit, to be supplied (by J. A. Manly).

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT.

Benoni Harris, P. E.

Osceola Circuit, W. R. Foster.
Frenchman's Bayou Circuit, W. R. Young.
Marion Circuit, H. T. Gregory.
Walnut Bend Circuit, Thomas J. Settles.
Hopefield Circuit, to be supplied.
Tyrangee Mission, B. Harris.

Jerome Haralson, W. H. Corley, Thomas Graham, Robt. N. Francis, Jesse Griffin, W. J. Dodson, transferred to Arkansas Conference.

Jacob H. Cox, transferred to St. Louis Conference.

Elias Jackson, transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

26.—LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LITTLE ROCK, ARK., *November 1-7, 1871.*

BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; W. C. HEARN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Wm. W. Wilson, Geo. W. Duncan, Jas. R. Sherwood, Finch M. Winburn, Chas. D. McSwain, Calvin A. Bayless, Philmer C. Archer. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Nathanael S. Burnett, Jno. M. G. Douglass, Walter W. Weir, Josephus Loving, Francis D. Van Valkenburg, Robert H. Saunders, Geo. W. Matthews. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Isaac N. Pace, F. M. Monk, J. L. Nabors. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Harvey H. Watson, Jno. W. Johnson, Bascom Ward. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Jno. M. Pirtle. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Anselm Minor, Daniel H. Linebaugh. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

R. W. Nassey, James A. Anderson, Ambrose D. Jenkins, Thos. W. Weir. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Harvey H. Watson, Bascom Ward. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Harvey H. Watson, Bascom Ward. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Wm. W. Anderson, Elizur B. Hotchkiss, Selby Steed, Philip S. Lively, Wm. H. H. Biggs, W. A. Wilson, Wm. J. See, Preston Bland. 8.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

W. W. Anderson, E. B. Hotchkiss, Selby Steed, Philip S. Lively, Wm. H. H. Biggs, Jas. C. Greenwood. 6.

The credentials of L. M. Harris, a local deacon from the Methodist Protestant Church, were duly recognized.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Jno. M. Perry, Madison S. Hamilton, Madi-

son T. McGehee, Patrick Scott, Wm. C. Adams, Peter E. Green. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Jno. M. Perry, Madison S. Hamilton, Madison T. McGehee, Patrick Scott, Wm. C. Adams, Peter E. Green. 6.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

F. C. Pearson, Jas. Stincel, Matthew H. Fielding, Harvey H. Watson, H. W. Balch, Thos. B. Atterberry. 6.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

B. C. Weir. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Alex. Avery, Thos. Hunt, Richard F. Colburn, Enoch L. Gaddy, Jas. Sanford. 5.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Richard P. Davies, Wm. R. J. Husbands, L. M. Chandler. 3.

RICHARD P. DAVIES was born in Shrewsbury, England, March 12, 1833. He removed, when twelve years old, to Canada with his parents, who were English Primitive Methodists, among whom his father was a local preacher, but became a Wesleyan in Canada; and his mother was devoutly pious. Brother Davies was converted among the Wesleyans in 1852, joined the Church, and regularly attended class. He removed to Louisiana in 1853, but, after a few months, returned to Canada and married. In 1855 he removed again to Louisiana, where he united with the M. E. Church, South. He was licensed to preach in 1858, and in 1860 settled in Louisville, Ark. He labored industriously and profitably as a local preacher. In 1863 he was received on trial in the Little Rock Conference. He was afterward ordained a deacon, and then elder. He was ever useful and acceptable in the various fields of labor assigned him by the Conference, and was beloved by his brethren. He was a man of fine personal appearance, and always pleasant and agreeable in social life. He was gifted, and bid fair to be one of our most useful and best men. But, alas! amidst years and usefulness, in the prime of life and vigor of manhood, he was called suddenly away. He fell by the hand of cruel enmity—shot by one Boyd, of Lafayette county, who, under the pretense of friendship, sought opportunity to take his life. This sad event occurred on February 24, 1871, at two o'clock p.m., but he lingered till two o'clock at night. During this interval he spoke kindly to those about him; said he forgave the wrong, tried to comfort his disconsolate wife, gave her every assurance of God's favor, and bade her put her trust in him. He sent messages of love to his brethren of the Conference, and peacefully and quietly fell asleep in the arms of Jesus.

W. R. J. HUSBANDS was born in Lincoln county, Tenn., December 29, 1821. He was

the son of Mansfield and Sophia Husbands, who were both righteous, "walking in all the ordinances of God blameless." They both died when their son was only six years of age. He, however, was converted in early manhood. He gave his heart to God, August 16, 1840; was licensed to exhort in the early part of 1842. In October the same year he was licensed to preach, and recommended to the Tennessee Conference for admission into the traveling connection. He was received, and appointed to Bellforte Mission, North Alabama. He continued to travel in that Conference until the autumn of 1860, when he was transferred by Bishop Pierce to the Wachita—now the Little Rock Conference. He has filled the following appointments: Tulip Circuit, Arkadelphia District, Pine Bluff District, and, lastly, Clarke Circuit; here ended his labors, and here God signally blessed his efforts, and crowned them with success. Souls were converted and added to the Church. Brother Husbands was a plain, practical, useful man, devoted to our Church; true to all her interests, firm in administering discipline. But he is gone, and we mourn his loss. His death was triumphant, his exit glorious! His last words were, "All is bright." May we be faithful, and meet him in heaven!

LEONARD MILES CHANDLER was born in Mississippi, July 9, 1841, married to Miss Fletcher Willis, of Hamburg, Ark., Sep. 13, 1865, and died of swamp fever, at Eudora, Chicot county, Ark., Oct. 11, 1871. He was converted, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in the summer of 1868. Soon afterward he was licensed to preach, and in the autumn of the same year was admitted on trial in the Little Rock Conference. His first appointment was Murfreesboro Circuit. Failing of encouragement there, he returned home, and shared labor with Brother Pryor on the Hamburg Circuit. In 1869 he was appointed in charge of Line Circuit, and in 1870 was moved to Eudora Circuit, and regularly appointed there in the fall of the same year. Could the people of that country have had their wishes gratified, he would have been their pastor for a third and fourth term. We suppose no preacher has evinced greater devotion to the Church and to Christ, and none died more lamented by his charge. His religious convictions were of the most sanguine and decided caste. He never doubted his conversion nor his call to preach. God made manifest his designations to duty. Scores were converted under his ministry, and many will rise up to call him blessed. He died as he lived, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Little Rock District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Little Rock:			
First Charge.....	192	.....	2
Ratliffe Chapel.....	79	.....	.....
Argenta Mission.....	69	.....	.....
Little Rock Circuit.....	16	.....	.....
Bayou Metre.....	425	.....	3
Lonoke.....	197	.....	4
Austin Circuit.....	526	.....	5
Duvall's Bluff.....	20	.....	.....
Richwoods.....	102	.....	2
Mill Creek.....	164	.....	3
White River.....	202	.....	3
DeWitt Circuit.....	143	.....	3
	2135	.....	25

Pine Bluff District.

Pine Bluff.....	158	.....	1
Plum Bayou.....	192	.....	6
Swan Lake.....	83	.....	3
Red Fork.....	36	.....	1
Sulphur Springs.....	363	.....	6
Benton.....	450	.....	2
Collegeville.....	351	.....	8
Perryville.....	325	.....	4
Lehl.....	506	.....	8
Branchville.....	112	.....	1
Selma.....	52	.....	.....
	2628	.....	40

Monticello District.

Monticello.....	97	.....	1
Mt. Pleasant.....	420	.....	4
Green Hill.....	302	.....	4
Hamburg.....	196	.....	1
Line Circuit.....	171	.....	2
Bartholomew.....	106	.....	1
Eudora.....	154	.....	.....
Eunice Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
	1446	.....	13

Arkadelphia District.

Arkadelphia.....	35	.....	1
Clarke.....	225	.....	2
Murfreesboro.....	400	.....	7
Caddo.....	244	.....	.....
Hot Springs.....	173	.....	4
Rockport.....	330	.....	4
Tulip.....	406	.....	2
Moro.....	.....	.....	.....
Princeton.....	442	.....	4
Hampton.....	289	.....	3
Warren.....	300	.....	3
Palestine.....	185	.....	2
	3029	.....	32

Camden District.

Camden.....	192	.....	.....
Buena Vista.....	289	.....	3
Onachita.....	289	.....	1
Falcon Station.....	80	.....	3
Falcon Circuit.....	354	.....	6
Magnolia.....	428	.....	8
Pleasant Grove.....	211	.....	4
El Dorado.....	150	.....	2
Lapeal.....	306	.....	1
Lewisville.....	204	.....	.....
Olive Branch.....	125	.....	1
	2628	.....	29

Washington District.

Washington.....	91	.....	1
Moscow.....	300	.....	3
Columbus.....	271	.....	4
Centre Point.....	631	.....	5

Washington District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Paraclifta.....	192	.....	5
Richmond.....	139	.....	1
Polk Mission.....	335	.....	12
Rondo.....	190	.....	1
	2149	.....	32

Recapitulation.

Little Rock District.....	2135	.....	25
Pine Bluff.....	2628	.....	40
Monticello.....	1446	.....	13
Arkadelphia.....	3029	.....	32
Camden.....	2628	.....	29
Washington.....	2149	.....	32
Total this year.....	14,015	.....	171
Total last year.....	13,075	.....	138
Increase.....	940	.....	33

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

581.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1098.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

166.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

1149.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

5510.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$2909.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$2101.

Applied to superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of preachers.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$1972.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Pine Bluff, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

Robert S. Hunter, P. E.

Little Rock:

Second Street, W. C. Hearn.

Spring Street, Josephus Loving.

Argenta Mission, to be supplied.

Bayou Metre Circuit, G. W. Duncan, W. W. Ware.

Lonoke Circuit, to be supplied.

Richwoods Mission, to be supplied.

Austin Circuit, J. M. Pirtle, W. W. Wilson.

Collegeville and Mill Creek Circuit, J. M. Cline.

White River Circuit, Thos. H. Ware.
DeWitt Circuit, N. S. Burnett.
Perryville Circuit, to be supplied (by W. W. Anderson).

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

Andrew Hunter, P. E.

Pine Bluff Station, H. B. Frazee.
Plum Bayou Circuit, W. J. Scott.
Swan Lake Circuit, Geo. Hare.
Red Fork Mission, to be supplied.
Sulphur Springs Circuit, C. M. Slover.
Benton Circuit, F. D. Van Valkenburg.
Simpson Creek Mission, A. W. Simmons.
Lehi Circuit, W. J. Davis.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

A. R. Winfield, P. E.

Arkadelphia Station, Jno. F. Carr.
Clarke Circuit, J. P. Holmes.
Murfreesboro Mission, to be supplied (by W. H. H. Boggs).
Caddo Mission, to be supplied (by M. C. Adams).
Hot Spings Station, S. G. Colburn.
Hot Springs Mission, to be supplied (by Jno. Hosken).
Rockport Circuit, Finch M. Wenburn.
Tulip Circuit, Anselm Minor.
Princeton Circuit, B. G. Johnson.
Hampton Circuit, Jno. M. G. Douglass.
American Bible Society, J. E. Caldwell, Agent.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

M. H. Wells, P. E.

Monticello Station, J. R. Harvey.
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Jno. H. Riggins, C. D. McSwain.
Green Hill Circuit, Jno. H. Blakely.
Hamburg Circuit, H. D. McKennon.
Line Circuit, to be supplied (by Jno. C. Downey).
Bartholomew Circuit, A. B. Winfield.
Eudora Circuit, Jas. R. Sherwood.

Eunice Mission, Jno. Pryor.
Palestine Circuit, Jno. W. Johnson.
Warren Circuit, G. W. Matthews, B. C. Weir, Sup.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

Horace Jewell, P. E.

Camden Station, C. Pope.
Buena Vista Circuit, C. A. Bayless.
Ouachita Circuit, to be supplied (by E. R. Barcus).
Falcon Circuit, W. H. Browning.
Magnolia Circuit, E. N. Watson.
El Dorado Circuit, J. A. Parker.
Bodceau Mission, J. Turrentine.
Lapeal Circuit, D. H. Linebaugh.
Lewisville Circuit, H. Townsend.
Bright Star Circuit, to be supplied (by W. Crawford).

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

C. O. Steele, P. E.

Washington Station, P. C. Archer.
Moscow Circuit, J. P. Hulse.
Mineral Springs Circuit, J. G. Ward, Bascom Ward.
Centre Point Circuit, W. R. Gardner.
Paraclifta Circuit, A. D. Jenkins.
Richmond Circuit, R. H. Saunders.
Polk Mission, to be supplied.
Rondo Circuit, J. A. Anderson.
Mineral Springs Academy, T. W. Hays, Principal.

B. Williams, transferred to Arkansas Conference.

G. W. Primrose, transferred to Missouri Conference.

D. T. Holmes, transferred to Indian Mission Conference.

B. O. Davis, transferred to Holston Conference.

P. W. Archer, transferred to Texas Conference.

R. W. Massey, transferred to White River Conference.

27.—TRINITY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SHERMAN, TEXAS, *October 18-23, 1871.*BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; WILLIAM C. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Francis M. Harrell, Joel Osgood, Daniel J. Martin, James McDugald, James Wilson, Richmond N. Brown, Hamel C. Rogers. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Melville C. Blackburn, Denton P. Haggard, Charles E. Lamb, Joseph C. Weaver, James P. Rogers. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

William A. Smith. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Thomas E. Sherwood, Eugene T. Bates. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

West D. Lovelady. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Willis G. Davis, Job M. Baker, William C. Haislip, John J. Davis. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Samuel S. Cobb, Littleton F. Palmer, Matthew T. Leach, George R. Buchanan. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Eugene T. Bates. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Eugene T. Bates. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

J. W. Ledbetter, Daniel Rinkle, Joseph Wyatt, Daniel F. Fuller. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Daniel F. Fuller, Joseph Wyatt. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Bluford W. Brown. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John W. Piner, James A. Bruton. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

William P. Petty, William E. Bates, James L. Terry, Aaron H. Brewer, George R. Buchanan. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Andrew Cumming, Alexander Hinkle, Jas. B. Babb, Alexander R. Dickson, William K. Wilson, John W. P. McKenzie, John P. Stanfield, Richard Lane, Job M. Baker. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

James T. P. Irvine, Milton Maupin. 2.

JAMES T. P. IRVINE, we believe, was born in Tennessee. He came to Texas when a small boy. When the war broke out between Texas and Mexico, he volunteered as a private soldier in the Army of Texas. He was at the battle of San Jacinto, and assisted in capturing Santa Anna. Having passed through the struggles of the trying times of the infant republic of Texas, he was converted to God. Soon afterward, he felt himself called to preach the gospel. He was licensed to preach by the sainted Littleton Fowler, and immediately entered the Texas Mission Conference about the year 1842. From that time until the day of his death, which occurred March 29, 1871, he was a faithful, zealous, able, and useful preacher in all the various relations he sustained to the Church of his choice, whether on a circuit, in a station, or as Presiding Elder of a district. Among his brethren, he was kind, affable, and courteous. In his family he governed according to the Scriptures. In the Church he was indeed a pastor. In a word, he filled his place in all the relations of life with dignity and fidelity. He has served his generation, and fallen asleep in Jesus. His death was peaceful and triumphant. He died near Kaufman, Texas, at the residence of Rev. William K. Wilson.

MILTON MAUPIN, the son of Amos and Salie Maupin, was born in Campbell county, Tenn., Dec. 24, 1829. He professed religion and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, when very young. He was educated at Emory and Henry College, Virginia, and was licensed to preach in our Church while attending college, when about twenty years of age. The call to the work of the ministry pressed so heavily upon his mind that he left college before he completed his literary course. He was employed, the first year after leaving

school, as a supply on a circuit. After that he spent two or three years teaching school, and preaching in the local relation. In the spring of 1852 he went to California, where, in the year 1853, he joined the Pacific Conference. In 1855 he was ordained a deacon by Bishop James O. Andrew. In 1856 he returned to Tennessee. In 1857 he was married to Miss Malinda S. Kirkpatrick, by Rev. S. Roberts. The next two years following his marriage was spent on a farm, with the hope of making means to return with his family to California; but, devoting more time to preaching than to farming, he failed. Giving up his farming interest as a hopeless business for him, and feeling the necessity of devoting all his time and energies to the Master's work, in the fall of 1859 he joined the Holston Conference, and was appointed to Grayson Circuit, in Western Virginia. In the fall of 1860 he was ordained an elder by Bishop Paine, and appointed to Newport Circuit. In 1861 he traveled the Maynardsville Circuit. In 1862 he was appointed by the Conference a missionary chaplain to a regiment in the Confederate States Army. The regiment was disbanded before the close of the year, and he returned home. Meanwhile, the troubles of the country were such that Southern Methodist ministers were not permitted to travel and preach; and he remained at home without regular work during the years 1864 and 1865. In 1866 he was appointed to Knox and Maynardsville Circuit. Here he commenced his itinerant labors anew. He encountered the opposition of the political party in power, and often was threatened with violence of the mob—one time shot at, and narrowly escaped the martyr's crown. Owing to the meagerness of pecuniary support and the vexations of the political strife everywhere rife in Tennessee, after obtaining permission from the Bishop, he left his work, and, in June, 1867, came to Texas. October 22, 1867, he was transferred by Bishop Wightman from the Holston to the Trinity Conference. During the year 1869, he traveled the Gainesville Circuit, with Rev. Samuel S. Cobb as his junior colleague. In the year 1870, he was supernumerary on the Gainesville Circuit, with Rev. Wm. L. Carleton as his senior colleague. For the year 1871, he was appointed to Decatur Mission. Here he commenced his labors with his usual zeal and energy; but nature, already oppressed and harassed out with toil and care, gave way, and he went to rest the first day of April, 1871. When his wife became convinced that he had but a short time to live, she approached him upon the subject of death. He replied: "If I could think I am dying, I would shout!" He then recited the dying words of the great apostle: "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day." He then added: "Tell

all my friends to meet me in heaven; and especially I want you to tell my brethren in the ministry that I died at my post, in the front, with my face to the enemy." He was faithful in all things. He has left the aroma of a good name, and the assurance that he has gone to rest.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Jefferson District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jefferson Station.....	260	.....	6
Kelleyville Circuit.....	420	.....	.....
Linden Circuit.....	328	.....	5
Dangerfield Circuit.....	264	.....	4
Mt. Vernon Circuit.....	405	.....	3
Winnsboro Circuit.....	260	.....	4
Pittsburg Circuit.....	525	.....	8
Gilmer Circuit.....	380	.....	6
Coffeeville Circuit.....	200	.....	2
	3042	.....	38

Paris District.

Paris Station.....	162	.....	1
Paris Circuit.....	577	.....	1
Honey Grove Circuit.....	387	.....	7
Ladonia Circuit.....	246	.....	8
Clarksville Circuit.....	275	.....	.....
McAlister Circuit.....	248	.....	1
Pine Creek Mission.....	164	.....	3
Boston Circuit.....	148	.....	.....
Charleston Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
	2207	.....	21

Dallas District.

Dallas Station.....	171	.....	5
Dallas Circuit.....	524	.....	10
Denton Circuit.....	546	.....	7
Decatur Mission.....	159	.....	3
McKinney Circuit.....	440	.....	5
Gainesville Circuit.....	415	.....	3
Montague Circuit.....	50	.....	.....
Seyene Circuit.....	229	.....	.....
	2534	.....	35

Sherman District.

Sherman Station.....	158	.....	4
Sherman Circuit.....	300	.....	5
Whitesboro Circuit.....	326	.....	2
Bonham Circuit.....	93	.....	.....
Kentuckytown Circuit.....	346	.....	2
Pilot Grove Mission.....	222	.....	2
Rockwall Circuit.....	544	.....	7
Greenville Circuit.....	531	.....	5
	2520	.....	27

Sulphur Springs District.

Sulphur Springs Station.....	230	.....	5
Kaufman Circuit.....	340	.....	4
Cedar Grove Circuit.....	182	.....	4
Garden Valley Circuit.....	359	.....	6
Prairieville Circuit.....	165	.....	4
Springville Circuit.....	271	.....	6
Sulphur Bluff Circuit.....	170	.....	2

Sulphur Springs District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
White Oak Mission.....	80	.....	2
Brooklyn Mission.....	84	.....	1
	1881	.....	34

Recapitulation.

Jefferson District.....	3042	.....	38
Paris ".....	2207	.....	21
Dallas ".....	2534	.....	35
Sherman ".....	2520	.....	27
Sulphur Springs ".....	1881	.....	34
Total this year.....	12,184	.....	155
Total last year.....	10,652	1776	149
Increase.....	1532		6
Decrease.....		1776	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
594.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1180.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
87.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
442.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3630.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$1500.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1342 00

Applied as follows:
 To Sister Hammel, \$225 00
 To Sister Palmer, 50 00
 To Sister Goodjoin, 50 00
 To Sister Hamilton, 105 00
 To Sister Boyd, 225 00
 To Sister Maupin, 342 00
 To Rev. A. R. Dickson, 25 00
 To Rev. E. Couch, 25 00
 To Rev. J. P. Stanfield, 25 00
 To Rev. W. K. Wilson, 25 00
 To Rev. A. Cumming, 25 00
 To the children of J. T. P. Irvine, 120 00
 To Rev. A. Hinkle, 25 00
 To the children of Brother Hammel, 75 00
 \$1342 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$600 00.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
Sulphur Springs, Hopkins county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

JEFFERSON DISTRICT.

John H. McLean, P. E.

Jefferson Station, Robert S. Finley.
 Jefferson Circuit, Samuel J. Hawkins.
 Kelleyville Circuit, Robert P. Thompson.
 Atlanta Circuit, Matthew T. Leach.
 Linden Circuit, J. J. Davis.
 Dangerfield Circuit, Joseph Parker.
 Mt. Vernon Circuit, Calvin J. Cock.
 Pittsburg Circuit, Joseph M. Stevenson, Joel Osgood.
 Gilmer Circuit, Thomas B. Norwood, Jas L. Terry, Sup.
 Coffeerville Circuit, Charles E. Lamb.

PARIS DISTRICT.

Lewis B. Ellis, P. E.

Paris Station, Wm. C. Haislip.
 Paris Circuit, Thomas M. Smith, James McDugald.
 Honey Grove Circuit, David M. Proctor.
 Ladonia Circuit, Archibald C. McDougal.
 Cooper Mission, to be supplied (by Young).
 McAlister Circuit, to be supplied (by John H. Carr).
 Robinsonville Circuit, Francis M. Harrel.
 Clarksville Circuit, James Graham.
 Boston Circuit, Littleton F. Palmer.
 Red River Mission, to be supplied (by B. M. Stanford).

SHERMAN DISTRICT.

John W. Fields, P. E.

Sherman Station, John C. Smith, William P. Petty, Sup.
 Sherman Circuit, Ezekiel Couch.
 Bonham Circuit, Hamel C. Rogers.
 Greenville Circuit, Thomas D. Sherwood.
 Pilot Grove Circuit, to be supplied (by Y. S. McKinney).
 Whitesboro Circuit, William L. Carleton.
 Gainesville Circuit, William M. Robbins.
 Montague Mission, Joseph C. Weaver.

DALLAS DISTRICT.

Jacob M. Binkley, P. E.

Dallas Station, Richard W. Thompson.
 Dallas Circuit, George S. Gatewood.
 Scyene Mission, Richmond N. Brown.
 McKinney Circuit, to be supplied (by H. M. South), George R. Buchanan, Sup.
 Grapevine Circuit, Samuel S. Cobb.
 Denton Circuit, Melville C. Blackburn.
 Pilot Point Circuit, John W. Chalk, W. E. Bates, Sup.
 Rockwall Circuit, William P. Reed.
 Decatur Mission, Denton P. Haggard.
 Dallas Female College, William C. Young, Agent.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT.

J. L. Angel, P. E.

Sulphur Springs Station, M. H. Neeley.
 Sulphur Springs Circuit, Wiley A. Shook.
 Sulphur Bluff Circuit, John H. Lowe.
 Springville Circuit, James Wilson.

Cedar Grove Circuit, Daniel J. Martin.
Garden Valley Circuit, John C. Randall.
Prairieville Circuit, William R. Davis.
Kaufman Circuit, M. C. Simpson, Aaron H. Brewer, Sup.
Brooklyn Circuit, Eugene T. Bates.
Caddo Mission, to be supplied (by Jeremiah T. Sherwood).

Thomas W. Mitchell, transferred to the Indian Mission Conference.

Willis G. Davis, transferred to the Indian Mission Conference.

West D. Lovelady, transferred to the East Texas Conference.

James P. Rogers was left without an appointment, on account of ill health.

28.—EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CROCKETT, TEXAS, *November 15-20, 1871.*

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; T. W. ROGERS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William N. Bonner, John Bur-
gamy, Wm. A. Moore, Wm. H. Willey. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John K. Street. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Robert D. Wright. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Marion Donegan. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Samuel Weaver, J. F. Riggs. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

West D. Lovelady, from Trinity Conference;
I. N. Craven, from North Georgia Conference. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

E. F. Boone, Martin Mathews, Thomas A. Scurlock. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Marion Donegan. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Marion Donegan. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

David J. Davis, James C. Walker, John W. Stephens. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Thomas H. Hall, William A. Moore, Daniel C. Neal. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

William A. Moore. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Acton Young, J. R. Middleton, L. P. Lively, Neill Brown, Jefferson Shook. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

John B. Tullis, N. W. Burks, E. L. Armstrong. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Marshall District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marshall Station.....	173	.....	3
Marshall Circuit.....	264	.....	1
Elysian Fields Circuit.....	810	.....	2
Henderson Station.....	83	.....	.....
Carthage Circuit.....	587	.....	1
Belview Circuit.....	441	.....	4
Starville Circuit.....	490	.....	3
Knoxville Circuit.....	351	.....	4
Hallville Mission.....	49	.....	.....
Concord Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
	3248	.....	18

Palestine District.

Palestine Station.....	110	.....	3
Palestine Mission.....	244	.....	5
Rusk Station.....	139	.....	2
Rusk Circuit.....	435	.....	5

Palestine District (continued).

	White Men s.	Col'd Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Larissa Circuit.....	342	.....	4
Athens Circuit.....	250	.....	4
Tyler Station.....	67	.....	3
Tyler Mission.....	55	.....	.....
Kickapoo Circuit.....	200	.....	2
	1872	.....	28

San Augustin District.

San Augustin Circuit.....	160	1
Jasper Circuit.....	320	.....	7
Burksville Circuit.....	125	.....	.....
Newton Circuit.....	150	.....	5
Milam Circuit.....	301	.....	2
Shelbyville Circuit.....	301	.....	5
Melrose Circuit.....	365	.....	5
Douglas Circuit.....	265	.....	7
Mount Enterprise Circuit.....	425	.....	6
	2412	.....	38

Crockett District.

Homer Circuit.....	387	.....	8
Crockett Circuit.....	556	.....	3
Sumter Circuit.....	160	.....	4
Woodville Circuit.....	50	.....	1
Moscow Circuit.....	201	.....	4
Mount Hope Circuit.....	25	.....	1
Liberty Station.....	46	.....	.....
Wallisville Mission.....	74	.....	.....
Beaumont, Orange, and Sabine Pass	82	.....	.....
	1581	.....	21

Recapitulation.

Marshall District.....	3248	.....	18
San Augustin ".....	2412	.....	38
Palestine ".....	1872	.....	28
Crockett ".....	1581	.....	21
Total this year.....	9113	.....	105
Total last year.....	7496	.....	100
Increase.....	1617	.....	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
408.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
752.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
63.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
373.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
2593.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$750.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
\$622 22.

Distributed to claimants according to the provisions of the Discipline.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$393 95.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Tyler, Smith county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Daniel Morse, P. E.

Marshall Station, Thomas W. Rogers.

Marshall Circuit, William H. Moss.

Elysian Fields Circuit, to be supplied (by J. Westmoreland), J. R. Middleton, Sup.

Henderson and London Station, David M. Stovall.

Belview Circuit, Samuel Weaver.

Starville Circuit, John S. Mathis, L. P. Lively, Sup.

Hallville Mission, J. C. Burgamy.

Knoxville Circuit, I. N. Craven.

PALESTINE DISTRICT.

L. R. Dennis, P. E.

Palestine Station, John Adams, Neill Brown, Sup.

Palestine Mission, E. P. Rogers.

Kickapoo Circuit, William A. Moore.

Rusk Station, John K. Street, J. Shook, Sup.

Rusk Circuit, L. C. Crouse.

Larissa Circuit, Sims K. Stovall.

Tyler Station, J. F. Riggs.

Athens Circuit, E. F. Boone.

Tyler Mission, to be supplied.

SAN AUGUSTIN DISTRICT.

J. W. Mills, P. E.

San Augustin Circuit, to be supplied (by John C. Pelote).

Jasper Circuit, A. D. Parks.

Burksville Circuit, William H. Willey.

Newton Circuit, Martin Mathews.

Shelbyville Circuit, to be supplied (by J. M. Hendry).

Melrose Circuit, D. S. Watkins.

Linn Flat Circuit, to be supplied (by J. R. Cox).

Mount Enterprise, J. C. A. Bridges.

Milam Circuit, to be supplied (by James M. Bond).

Carthage Circuit, J. R. Bellamy.

CROCKETT DISTRICT.

D. P. Cullen, P. E.

Crockett and Pennington Station, John C. Woolam.

Crockett Circuit, Allen M. Box.

Sumter Mission, to be supplied (by R. Davis).

Neches Circuit, William N. Bonner.

Moscow Circuit, West D. Lovelady.

Mount Hope and Woodville Circuit, R. M.

Kirby, Acton Young, Sup.

Homer Circuit, Marion Donegan.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT.

*F. M. Stovall, P. E.*Beaumont Station, *F. M. Stovall*, one to be supplied.

Sour Lake Mission, to be supplied.

Liberty Station, *W. F. Compton*.Wallisville Circuit, *Thomas A. Scurlock*.
Hardin Mission, to be supplied.
Sabine Pass and Orange, *W. C. Collins*.*Samuel Morris*, transferred to Trinity Conference.

29.—TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GALVESTON, TEXAS, *December 6-11, 1871.*BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; *H. V. Philpott, Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Joseph L. Lemons, *Wm. Herwegh*, *Ames B. Wilkes*. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Daniel Morgan, *Jonathan Burford*, *Jacob Bader*. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Lindsay T. Wills, *E. B. Rodgers*, *William Knolle*. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Elam H. Holbrook, *C. L. Farrington*. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

James W. Bennett, *Hiram G. Carden*. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Philemon W. Archer. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

John S. Clower. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Elam H. Holbrook, *C. L. Farrington*. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Elam H. Holbrook, *C. L. Farrington*. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Charles W. Moody, *John H. Mims*, *S. M. Rawles*, *Benj. H. McDaniel*. 4. *Henry Page* (colored). 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Charles W. Moody, *Benj. H. McDaniel*. 2. *John W. Stevens*, *Henry Page* (colored). 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

F. L. Allen, *Jacob Kern*. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

F. L. Allen, *Jacob Kern*. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Gideon Powlidge, *T. J. Darwin*. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Joshua H. Shapard, *David Coulson*, *Wm. H. Seat*. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

V. H. Iley, *Jacob Matthews*, *John Schaper*, *August Engel*. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Robert Alexander, *Thos. W. Blake*, *John H. Davidson*, *A. B. F. Kerr*, *F. A. McShan*. 5.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed—except *Archibald McKinney*.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Galveston District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston Station.....	311	.....	5
Galveston Cir. (was not organized) ..	.....	.....	.....
Bay Mission.....	68	.....	.....
Houston Station.....	226	.....	5
Houston Cir. (was not organized) ....	.....	.....	.....
Hempstead.....	60	.....	1
Spring Creek.....	90	.....	1
Navasota Station.....	127	.....	5
Millican Circuit.....	46	.....	.....
Bryan Station.....	160	.....	4
Bryan Circuit.....	131	.....	3
	1219	.....	24

Huntsville District.

Huntsville Station.....	99	.....	.....
Cold Springs Circuit.....	85	185	2
Danville and Waverley Circuit.....	139	.....	.....

Huntsville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Co'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Trinity Circuit	76	.....	.....
Montgomery Circuit	138	.....	2
Anderson Station	294	.....	4
Madisonville	150	.....	4
Zion	174	.....	2
	1155	185	14

Columbia District.

Columbia Station	70	.....	1
Richmond Circuit	35	.....	.....
San Felipe	55	.....	2
Matagordo	104	.....	2
Velasco	87	2	1
Glover Colored Charge (no report) ..	.....	.....	.....
Hartsville Colored Charge (no rep't)	.....	.....	.....
	351	2	6

Chappell Hill District.

Chappell Hill Station	163	3
Brenham Station	77	.....	3
Independence Circuit	80	.....	3
Bellville Circuit	120	.....	.....
Union Hill Circuit	168	.....	3
Caldwell Circuit	150	.....	3
Lexington Circuit	240	.....	6
Evergreen Circuit	50	.....	.....
Stone's Mission	45	.....	.....
	1093	.....	21

Austin District.

Austin Station	152	4
Austin Circuit	92	.....	1
Webberville Circuit	211	1	3
Bastrop Station	26	.....	.....
Cedar Creek Circuit	117	.....	1
Winchester and Fayetteville	102	.....	2
Lagrange Station	89	.....	.....
Navidad Circuit	250	.....	4
Osage Circuit	206	.....	2
Columbus Station	59	.....	.....
	1304	1	17

German Mission District.

Houston Circuit	86	.....	1
Bellville and Industry	48	.....	1
Bastrop	103	.....	2
New Braunfels	156	.....	1
New Fountain	45	.....	.....
Fredericksburg	61	.....	.....
Llano	56	.....	.....
Victoria and Yorktown	20	.....	.....
Galveston Mission	10	.....	.....
	585	.....	5

Recapitulation.

Galveston District	1219	.....	24
Huntsville "	1155	185	14
Columbia "	351	2	6
Chappell Hill "	1093	.....	21
Austin "	1304	1	17
German Mission "	585	.....	5
Total this year	5707	188	87
Total last year	4957	39	77
Increase	750	149	10

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
436.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
453.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
51.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
399.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
2639.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$850.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$692 00

Applied as follows:

W. G. Foote's children,	\$100 00
Sister Drake and two children,	142 00
James C. Wilson's children,	100 00
Sister Wooldridge and two children,	200 00
Two children of R. T. Heflin,	100 00
Child of Rev. J. H. Addison,	50 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$1580 31.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Bryan, Brazos county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

GALVESTON DISTRICT.

James M. Wesson, P. E.

Galveston Station, J. B. Walker.
Galveston Circuit, to be supplied.
Bay Mission, J. M. Turner.
Houston Station, Philemon W. Archer.
Houston Suburban Mission, B. T. Kavanaugh.
Hempstead and Harrisburg Circuit, G. V. Ridley.
Spring Creek, Urban C. Spencer.
Navasota, J. W. Bennett.
Millican Circuit, Thos. Whitworth.
Bryan Station, H. V. Philpott.
Bryan Circuit, to be supplied (by W. S. South).
Columbia, to be supplied.
Matagordo, John C. Huckabee.
Editor *Texas Christian Advocate*, I. G. John.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

O. Fisher, P. E.

Austin Station, F. C. Wilks.
Austin City Mission, A. B. Wilks.
Austin Circuit, J. W. Whipple.
Webberville Circuit, L. Ercanbrack.
Bastrop Station, M. H. Porter.
Winchester and Allen's Creek Circuit, to be supplied (by J. T. Tally).
Buckner's Creek Mission, J. W. B. Allen.
Cedar Creek Circuit, F. L. Allen.

Lagrange Circuit, H. G. Carden, V. H. Iley, Sup.
Caldwell and Osage Circuit, A. L. P. Green.
Eagle Lake, to be supplied.
Giddings Circuit, W. C. Lewis.

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT.

B. D. Dashiell, P. E.

Chappell Hill Station, F. A. Mood.
Stone's Chapel, to be supplied (by J. H. Stone).
Brenham Station, H. S. Thrall.
Stockdale Mission, John S. Clower.
Independence, Joseph L. Lemons.
Belleville, Jonathan Burford, Jacob Matthews, Sup.
San Felipe, to be supplied.
Burton Circuit, R. W. Kennon.
Caldwell Circuit, E. H. Holbrook.
Burleson Mission, to be supplied.
Lexington Circuit, W. G. Nelms.
Evergreen Circuit, to be supplied (by T. H. Brennan).
Soule University, F. A. Mood, President.
Chappell Hill Female College, W. G. Conner, President.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

Jas. G. Johnson, P. E.

Huntsville Station, G. S. Sandel.
Cold Springs Circuit, to be supplied (by E. A. Stocking).
Danville and Waverley, J. A. Light.
Caney Creek Mission, Daniel Morgan.
Trinity Circuit, to be supplied (by J. D. Neal).
Montgomery Circuit, C. L. Farrington.
Anderson Circuit, T. B. Buckingham.
Zion Circuit, A. W. Smith.
Madisonville Circuit, to be supplied (by W. Deaton).

GERMAN MISSION DISTRICT.

F. Verdenbaumen, P. E.

Galveston and Houston, J. A. Pauly.
Bellville and Industry, to be supplied.
Bastrop, John Pruenzing.
New Braunfels, N. Albright, John A. Schoper and A. Engel, Sups.
New Fountain, Jacob Bader.
Fredericksburg, Jacob Kern.
Llano, C. A. Grote.
Victoria and Yorktown, to be supplied.
Chappell Hill and Brenham, Wm. Herwegh.

30.—NORTH-WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CORSICANA, TEXAS, *November 1-7, 1871.*

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; JOHN S. MCCARVER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. F. Olin Danelly, A. D. Gaskill, Thomas G. A. Tharp, Richard H. H. Burnette, William T. Johnston, William H. H. Gilmore, Nathan S. Duckett, James J. Davis, Willis J. King, Osgood A. Shook, Wm. E. Weaver. 11.
Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
James D. Shaw, James Hiner. 2.
Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
Marshall J. Lewis. 1.
Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
None.
Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
E. A. Bailey, Mordecai Yell, Hiram M. Glass. 3.
Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
None.
Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
Horace Bishop, Augustus A. Cornette, Jo. F. Hines, Hilliard B. Smith. 4.
Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
None.
Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
William D. Robinson, Thomas Reece, F. Olin Danelly, William Kerr, D. C. Robinson, Elisha F. May, James C. G. R. Patton, S. B. Sullivan, John W. Purdom. 9.
Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
William E. Weaver, F. Olin Danelly, James C. G. R. Patton, Stephen B. Sullivan, John W. Purdom, Evander A. Bailey. 6.
Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
None.
Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
None.
Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?
Nathan A. Duckett, Cornelius C. Cannon, Asbury H. Stegall. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Nathan A. Duckett, Asbury H. Stegall. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Peter W. Gravis, John Powell, James M. Johnston. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joseph P. Sned, Drury Womack, Benj. A. Kemp, Guy C. McWilliams. 4.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Jerome B. Annis, Lewis B. Whipple. 2.
(No memoirs furnished.)

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

White members,	10,024
Colored members,	7
Local preachers,	154
Details not given.	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

759.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1112.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

64.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

408.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

2977.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$658 30
Applied as follows:	
Sister Annis,	103 00
Sister Lambdin,	103 00
Sister Mullins,	103 00
Sister Whipple,	103 00
Brother Shegog's son,	42 00
Drury Womack,	42 00
Guy C. McWilliams,	162 30
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	\$658 30

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$1793 55.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Belton, Bell county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BELTON DISTRICT.

John Carpenter, P. E.

Port Sullivan and Cameron Circuit, to be supplied (by W. Whittenberg).
Belton and Salada Circuit, George W. Graves.
Leon Circuit, to be supplied (by T. M. Price).
Gatesville Station, R. J. Perry.
Gatesville Circuit, to be supplied.
Valley Mills Circuit, W. T. Melugin.
Lampasas Circuit, Willis J. King.
Sugar-loaf Circuit, W. H. H. Gilmore.

WACO DISTRICT.

Thomas Stanford, P. E.

Waco Station, W. R. D. Stockton.
Brazos Circuit, Samuel D. Akin.
East Waco and Mount Calm Circuit, T. J. Hutson.
Hearn and Marlin Station, M. D. Fly.
Marlin Circuit, J. M. Boyd.
Wheelock Mission, Thomas G. A. Tharp.
Groesbeck Circuit, Mordecai Yell.
Agent for Sunday-schools, Robert Crawford.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Andrew Davis, P. E.

Springfield Circuit, W. L. Kidd.
Redland Circuit, James J. Davis.
Centreville Circuit, William T. Johnson.
Fairfield Circuit, Thomas G. Gilmore.
Butler Circuit, Hiram M. Glass.
Tehuacana Mission, R. H. H. Burnette.
Corsicana Station, Horace Bishop.
Corsicana Circuit, William L. Kistler.
Richland Circuit, S. S. Yarbrough.
Owenville Circuit, O. M. Addison.
Owensville High School, J. Fred. Cox, Agent.
Agent American Bible Society, John S. McCarver.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

William Price, P. E.

Waxahachie Station, F. Olin Danelly.
Waxahachie Circuit, R. B. Womack.
Milford Circuit, Jo. F. Hines.
Chatfield Circuit, Thomas W. Hines.
Lancaster Circuit, A. D. Gaskill.
Cedar Hill Mission, to be supplied (by J. H. Miller).
Hillsboro Circuit, William Vaughn.
Fort Worth Circuit, John S. Davis.
Marvin College, James D. Shaw, Professor; W. G. Veal, Agent; Wm. Price, Local Agent.
Superintendent Colored Missions, F. P. Ray.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT.

James M. Jones, P. E.

Weatherford Circuit, W. W. Thomas.
Walnut Creek Circuit, A. A. Cornette.
Jacksboro Station, John F. Neal.
Acton Circuit, James Hiner.
Sulphur Springs Mission, N. A. Duckett.

Noland's River Mission, to be supplied (by N. Hamilton).
 Cleburne Station, to be supplied (by John G. Warren).
 Cleburne Circuit, E. A. Bailey.
 Peoria Circuit, H. B. Smith.
 Fort Graham Circuit, to be supplied (by B. J. Grace).

STEVENSVILLE MISSION DISTRICT.

William Monk, P. E.

Stevensville Mission, J. H. Perry, J. M. Johnson. Sup.

Comanchie Mission, P. W. Gravis, Sup.
 Palo Pinto Mission, to be supplied (by W. V. Jones).
 Hamilton Mission, W. E. Weaver.
 Rockvale Mission, O. A. Shook.
 San Saba Mission, to be supplied.
 Camp Colorado Mission, to be supplied.

H. J. Morgan, transferred to Holston Conference.

Samuel C. Littlepage, transferred to St. Louis Conference.

31.—WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LEESBURG, TEXAS, *December 20-25, 1871.*

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; WILLIAM J. JOYCE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. W. G. Cocke, Wm. L. Ridout, Jno. B. Denton, Mark A. Black, Jno. F. Cook, Alejo Hernandez. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
 None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
 W. H. Hays. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Jas. H. Tucker. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
 Joshua B. Whittenburg. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

H. G. Horton, Marshall G. Jenkins. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
 Alexander H. Sutherland, Charles R. Shapard, J. C. C. Black. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Alejo Hernandez. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Alejo Hernandez. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

P. P. Jones, Jno. B. Denton, Mark A. Black. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

P. P. Jones, Jno. B. Denton, Mark A. Black. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Marshall G. Jenkins. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Marshall G. Jenkins. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

James E. Vernor. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Robert H. Belvin. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

A. B. Duval, Jesse Hord, Thos. Myers. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

San Antonio District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Antonio Station.....	65	.....	1
Pleasanton Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
Uvaldo Circuit.....	89	3	2
Kerrville Circuit.....	116	1	4
Cibolo Circuit	86	.....	1
Sutherland Springs Circuit.....	114	.....	1
Summerset Circuit.....	200	.....	1
	670	4	10

San Marcos District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Marcos Circuit.....	215	.....	1
Lockhart and Prairie Lea Circuit.....	316	.....	3
Seguin Circuit.....	131	.....	2
Belmont Mission.....	124	.....	2
Gonzales Circuit.....	134	24	2
Blanco Mission.....	121	.....	2
	1041	24	12

Goliad District.

Goliad Station.....	155	1
Helena and Escondido Circuit.....	143	11	.....
Yorktown Circuit.....	60	.....	1
Leesburg Circuit.....	195	.....	3
Sandies Circuit.....	150	.....	1
Clinton Circuit.....	90	.....	1
	793	11	7

Victoria District.

Victoria Circuit.....	84
Indianola and Lavaca.....	23	12	.....
Kemper Mission.....	28	.....	.....
Texana Circuit.....	127	.....	2
Hallettsville Circuit.....	224	.....	1
Concrete Circuit.....	133	.....	2
	619	12	5

Corpus Christi District.

Corpus Christi Station.....	57	1
Beeville Circuit.....	61	.....	1
Meansville Mission.....	50	.....	.....
Nueces River Mission.....	78	.....	.....
Lamar Mission.....	8	.....	.....
Rockport Circuit.....	118	.....	2
St. Mary's Mission.....	50	.....	.....
	422	.....	4

Recapitulation.

San Antonio District.....	670	4	10
San Marcos ".....	1041	24	12
Goliad ".....	793	11	7
Victoria ".....	619	12	5
Corpus Christi ".....	422	.....	4
Total this year.....	3545	51	38
Total last year.....	3193	172	41
Increase.....	352	.....	.....
Decrease.....		121	3

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
190.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
180.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
44.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
235.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
1695.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the

superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$775.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$438 27

Applied as follows:

Smithwick children,	\$ 56 64
Mrs. Bridges,	42 48
Mrs. Harris and children,	113 30
A. B. Duval,	56 64
Jesse Hord,	113 30
Mrs. Laferty,	56 64

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$720 45.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Victoria, Victoria county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

John S. Gillett, P. E.

San Antonio Station, Buckner Harris.
Sutherland Springs Circuit, E. G. Duval.
Cibola Circuit, Jno. L. Harper.
Pleasanton Mission, to be supplied (by W. C. Newton).

Madina Circuit, Wm. G. Cocke.

Uvalde Circuit, A. J. Potter.

Kerrville Circuit, to be supplied (by Jno. Goss).
American Bible Society, W. J. Joyce, Agent.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.

W. T. Thornbury, P. E.

San Marcos Circuit, O. A. Fisher.

Lockhart and Prairie Lea Circuit, A. H. Sutherland.

Seguin Circuit, H. A. Graves.

Belmont Mission, C. M. Carpenter.

Gonzales Circuit, to be supplied (by T. A. Lancaster).

Blanco Mission, C. R. Shapard.

Seguin Colored Mission, to be supplied (by Henry Mosley).

Gonzales Colored Mission, to be supplied.

GOLIAD DISTRICT.

E. Y. Seale, P. E.

Goliad Station, C. M. Rogers.

Helena Circuit, Jas. W. Cooley.

Coletto Circuit, to be supplied (by O. S. Farwell).

Leesburg Circuit, M. G. Jenkins.

Sandies Circuit, A. A. Killough.

Clinton Circuit, Jno. B. Denton.

Sandies Colored Mission, to be supplied (by Robert Brown).

VICTORIA DISTRICT.

Jas. G. Walker, P. E.

Victoria Station, Wesley Smith.

Indianola Station, H. G. Horton.

Kemper Mission, to be supplied.

Texana and Lavaca, J. C. C. Black.
 Navidad Circuit, J. B. Whittenburg.
 Hallettsville Circuit, Jno. F. Cook.
 Concrete Circuit, R. M. Seaton.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT.

John W. De Vilbiss, P. E.

Corpus Christi Station, Jas. W. Brown.
 Rockport Station, L. M. McGehee.

St. Mary's Mission, A. F. Cox.
 Beeville Circuit, W. L. Ridout.
 Nueces River Circuit, R. Gillett.
 Oakville Mission, M. A. Black.
 Laredo Mission, J. H. Tucker.
 Mexican Mission, Alejo Hernandez.

G. W. Cottingham, transferred to Texas
 Conference, and stationed at Eagle Lake.

32.—LOS ANGELES CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LOS NIETOS, *October 25-30, 1871.*

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; A. ADAMS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Jesse D. Franklin, Charles W. Harris, Franklin McKean. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

John W. Allen. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Dabney Ball, from the Baltimore Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

John W. Allen. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

John W. Allen. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Isaac Patty, Marcus G. Settle. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Isaac Patty, Marcus G. Settle. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Alexander Groves. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Alexander Groves. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Los Nietos Circuit.....	204	.....	5
Los Angeles Station.....	11	.....	.....
Santa Barbara Circuit.....	36	.....	3
El Monte Circuit.....	68	.....	3
Prescott Circuit, Arizona.....	12	.....	.....
Salt River Circuit, Arizona.....	12	.....	.....
Santa Clara Circuit.....	58	.....	1
Los Angeles Circuit.....	12	.....	1
San Luis Obispo Circuit.....	39	.....	.....
Milquatay Mission.....	34	.....	.....
San Bernardino Station.....	65	.....	1
Total this year.....	551	.....	14
Total last year.....	475	.....	10
Increase.....	76	.....	4

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

49.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

42.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

8.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

45.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

302.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Not estimated.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$11 95.

Given to the widow of John T. Cox.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

\$840 20.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Los Nietos.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.

W. A. Spurlock, P. E.

Los Angeles, George E. Butler.

Los Nietos, J. E. Miller.

Los Angeles Circuit, to be supplied

El Monte, Abram Adams.

Santa Clara, R. A. Latimer.

Santa Barbara Circuit, Jesse D. Franklin.

San Luis Obispo Circuit, John W. Allen.

Tehatchipie, to be supplied (by I. Patty).

SAN BERNARDINO DISTRICT.

William Moores, P. E.

San Bernardino, M. W. Glover.

Prescott, Arizona, Alex. Groves.

Salt River, Arizona, Franklin McKean.

San Diego, to be supplied.

Milquatay, Charles W. Harris.

Santa Anna, D. M. Rice.

W. Monk, transferred to West Texas Conference.

D. Ball, transferred to Pacific Conference, and stationed at Minna Street, San Francisco.

33.—PACIFIC CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SAN JOSE, CAL., *October 4-9, 1871.*

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; E. K. MILLER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Rufus F. Allen, Alfred Ewing Layson, A. F. Trousdale. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Asbury P. Black, Thomas Knight Howell, John W. Wood. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Robert H. Rhodes, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

W. H. Mason, from the Baltimore Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

John M. Alsanson, J. K. P. Price, Joel Hedgepeth, David F. Overton. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Erasmus H. Elkin. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Erasmus H. Elkin. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Lewis C. Renfro. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Lewis C. Renfro. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

William M. Winters, Chas. L. Newman. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

William M. Winters. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

G. W. Fleming, B. H. Russell, Thomas L. Burnet (each at his own request). 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

L. Cately. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Ivy Taylor, James L. Porter. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

George W. Wood. 1.

GEORGE WASHINGTON WOOD was born in Georgia, in November, 1809. Losing his parents at an early age, he was committed to the care of an aged grandmother, upon whom the responsibility of his early training devolved. She was a thorough Methodist of the old school, faithful to all the requirements of the Church. By her he was frequently led into the class-room, while yet a mere child. Impressions were here made that, under God, were sanctified to his salvation. He came to California at an early day, mingling with the excited throng who rushed here to seek for gold. But whatever influences were brought to bear upon him, he never lost his self-respect, nor descended from his position as a high-toned gentleman. His associates were always of the best class of any community in which his lot was cast. For many years he was skeptical, and he was never afraid to declare his want of religious faith. In May, 1860, he attended a camp-meeting in Pajora Valley, near Watsonville. One night, as he rode home from the camp-ground, the image of his sainted grandmother arose to his mind. He remembered her devotion to God, and the prayers she had offered for him, and the godly counsel she had given him. In a moment the strong fortifications of infidelity in which he had intrenched himself were swept away, and he stood a helpless sinner exposed to the wrath of God. This was to him a night of untold agony; but weeping only endured for a night; joy unspeakable and full of glory came in the morning. With characteristic zeal he at once sought to "preach the faith which once he destroyed." He was licensed to preach by the Watsonville Circuit Quarterly Conference, in 1861; and in 1862 he was employed as a local preacher on King's River Circuit. His name appears upon the Minutes of our Conference for the first time in 1863, as a supply upon the Dry Town and Michigan Bar Circuit. On September 4, 1864, he was ordained deacon. This year he labored on the Sonora Circuit. Again, in 1865, we find him employed on the Dry Town and Michigan Bar Circuit. He was admitted on trial in the Pacific Conference in 1866, and appointed to French Camp Circuit, with instructions from the Bishop to spend most of his time and labor in rebuilding

the church in Stockton that had been partially destroyed by fire. In 1867 he was elected and ordained elder, and sent to Tuoluma City Circuit; in 1868, to Liberty and Jackson Circuit; in 1869, to Liberty Circuit; in 1870, to Liberty and Mokelumne Circuit; and in 1871, to Plainsburg Mission, from which work he was called to the "rest that remaineth to the people of God." Besides these regular appointments, he labored for some time on the Coulterville and Volcano Circuits. But few men were more zealous than he. He seemed to live only to labor for his Master. Great success attended his labors wherever he went. He was never satisfied if he did not have an increase of membership on his work. When admonished by his physician and friends that his labors were too great, and that he could not endure them, his reply was, "I want to die with the harness on." God gave him the desire of his heart, and on the 14th of September, 1871, on his way to his last appointment, when within two miles of Plainsburg, while seated in his buggy, angels swept adown the sky and caught his faithful spirit and bore it up on high to the palace of God, where doubtless the welcome was given, "Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!"

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed. A. M. Bailey had withdrawn.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

San Francisco District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Francisco.....	60	.....	1
Oakland.....	10	.....	.....
Sacramento.....	41	.....	1
Hicksville.....	46	.....	.....
Mokelumne.....	61	.....	.....
Stockton.....	23	.....	1
San Jose.....	102	.....	2
Santa Clara.....	179	.....	3
Gilroy.....	76	.....	.....
Hollister.....	53	.....	1
Watsonville.....	58	.....	4
	709	.....	13

Santa Rosa District.

Petaluma.....	40	.....	.....
Santa Rosa.....	86	.....	.....
Sebastopol.....	172	.....	1
Healdsburg.....	128	.....	2
Ukiah.....	150	.....	5
Point Arenas.....	40	.....	1
Little Lake.....	30	.....	.....
Clear Lake.....	40	.....	1
Vallejo and Napa.....	5	.....	.....
Suisun.....	66	.....	.....
Vacaville.....	95	.....	1
Dixon.....	30	.....	.....
	882	.....	11

Colusa District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Colusa Station	59	.....	2
Colusa Circuit	20	.....	.....
Bear Valley	55	.....	.....
Princeton	23	.....	1
Red Bluff	16	.....	.....
Millville	111	.....	3
Chico Station	50	.....	2
Yuba City	78	.....	.....
Wheatland	99	.....	1
Knight's Landing	85	.....	4
Grass Valley	5	.....	.....
Dry Creek	25	.....	1
	626	.....	14

To Sister Culp and four children, 168 23
 To Sister Gray and child, 109 56
 To Sister Cox, 90 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for
 Missions?
 Missions, \$807 00
 Old Debt, 145 00
 \$952 00

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of
 the Conference be held?
 At Santa Rosa, Cal.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed
 this year?

Visalia District.

Visalia Station	34
Visalia Circuit	131	.....	5
Kingston	63	.....	1
Millerton	218	.....	7
Mariposa	80	.....	.....
Snelling	52	.....	1
Empire	74	.....	2
Stockton Circuit	26	.....	.....
Linden	109	.....	.....
Sonora	36	.....	1
Plainsburg	75	.....	.....
	898	.....	17

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.

J. C. Simmons, P. E.

San Francisco, to be supplied.
 Sacramento, W. R. Gober.
 Hicksville, J. Gruwell.
 Woodbridge Circuit, L. D. Hargiss.
 Stockton, O. P. Fitzgerald.
 San Jose, George Sim.
 Santa Clara, I. L. Hopkins, J. K. P. Price.
 Gilroy, A. C. Pendergrast.
 Hollister, N. C. Renfro.
 Watsonville, to be supplied.
 Salina City and Castorville, to be supplied.
 Oakland, to be supplied.

Recapitulation.

San Francisco District	709	.....	13
Santa Rosa "	882	.....	11
Colusa "	626	.....	14
Visalia "	898	.....	17
Total this year	3115	.....	55
Total last year	3139	.....	46
Increase			9
Decrease	24		

SANTA ROSA DISTRICT.

T. C. Barton, P. E.

Petaluma, W. H. Mason.
 Santa Rosa, Samuel Brown.
 Sebastopol, S. W. Davies.
 Healdsburg, P. O. Clayton.
 Ukiah, J. M. Alsanson.
 Point Arenas, B. F. Burris.
 Little Lake Mission, to be supplied.
 Clear Lake, L. J. Hedgepeth.
 Suisun, W. F. Compton.
 Vacaville, T. K. Howell.
 Dixon, D. F. Overton.
 Humboldt Circuit, to be supplied.
 Pacific Methodist College, in Sonoma county,
 Samuel Brown, Agent.

COLUSA DISTRICT.

T. H. B. Anderson, P. E.

Colusa, E. K. Miller,
 Colusa Circuit, to be supplied (by Abram
 Mitchell).
 Bear Valley, John W. Wood.
 Princeton, Alfred E. Layson.
 Red Bluff, to be supplied.
 Millerton, J. G. Shelton, R. F. Allen.
 Chico, Jesse Wood.
 Biggs's Circuit, B. C. Howard.
 Yuba City, J. M. Ward.
 Wheatland, J. Kelsay.
 Knight's Landing, J. W. Craig.

Ques. 22. How many infants have been bap-
 tized during the year?
 166.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been bap-
 tized during the year?
 145.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-
 schools?
 50.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-
 school teachers?
 323.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-
 school scholars?
 2035.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the
 superannuated preachers, and the widows and
 orphans of preachers?
 \$850.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the
 foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
 Collected, \$535 81
 Applied as follows:

To Sister Peterson and two children, \$129 13
 To Brother Blythe's two children, 39 12

VISALIA DISTRICT.

J. W. Leach, P. E.

Visalia, J. P. Jones.
 Visalia Circuit, A. F. Trousdale.
 Tule River, to be supplied (by C. C. Snell).
 Millerton, J. H. Neal, L. Cately, Sup.
 Mariposa, G. M. Edwards.
 Snelling, J. M. Overton.

Modesta, to be supplied (by John P. Duncan).
 Linden, F. M. Stayton.
 Sonora, A. P. Black.
 Plainsburg, Joel Hedgepeth.
 Amador, T. D. Clanton.

J. M. Lovell, transferred to Columbia Conference, and stationed at Corvallis and Albany.

34.—COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SANTIAM CAMP-GROUND, OREGON, *September 6-10, 1871.*

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; W. A. FINLEY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Thomas V. B. Embree, Granderson Curtis. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Robert T. Weatherly, Elijah G. Michael, John W. Starr. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

John Wallace, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Benjamin F. Burch. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

George W. Goucher, Thomas Hervey, Granderson Curtis. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

George W. Goucher, Thomas Hervey, Granderson Curtis. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed—except Nathan M. Elton, who was expelled for immorality.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Oregon District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dallas Circuit.....	172	.....	.....
Corvallis and Albany.....	53	.....	1
Albany Circuit.....	64	.....	.....
Brownsville.....	84	.....	.....
Lafayette.....	78	.....	.....
St. Helen's Mission.....	35	.....	1
Oregon City Circuit.....	94	.....	1
	580	.....	3

Jacksonville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jacksonville Circuit.....	78	.....	.....
Roseburg and Oakland Mission.....	130	.....	1
Coast Fork.....	28	.....	.....
Eugene Circuit.....	45	.....	.....
	281	.....	1

Umatilla District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Walla Walla Circuit.....	53	.....	.....
Umatilla Meadows.....	6	.....	.....
Powder River Valley.....	47	.....	.....
Grande Ronde Circuit.....	41	.....	1
Bois River and Payetto.....	12	.....	.....
Willow Creek	13	.....	.....
	172	.....	1

Recapitulation.

Oregon District.....	580	.....	3
Jacksonville "	281	.....	1
Umatilla "	172	.....	1
Total this year.....	1033	.....	5
Total last year.....	1073	.....	16
Decrease	40	.....	11

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

25.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

42.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

3.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

18.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

193.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Nothing.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Nothing.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Old Debt,	\$ 26 37
Missions,	304 40
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	\$330 77

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Albany, Linn county, Oregon.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

UMATILLA DISTRICT.

C. H. E. Newton, P. E.

Walla Walla Mission, to be supplied.
Grande Ronde Mission, Granderson Curtis.
Powder River Circuit, to be supplied.
Umatilla Meadows, to be supplied.
Bois River and Payetto, to be supplied (by W. J. James).

WILLAMETTE DISTRICT.

B. R. Baxter, P. E.

Dallas Circuit, A. E. Sears.
Corvallis and Albany, to be supplied.
Albany Circuit, Elijah G. Michael.
Brownsville Circuit, James W. Stahl.
Lafayette Mission, to be supplied (by G. W. Goucher).
Oregon City, Roscoe C. Oglesby.
East Portland Mission, to be supplied.
Corvallis College, W. A. Finley, President;
Joseph Emery, Professor of Mathematics;
B. R. Baxter, B. F. Burch, Agents.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

D. C. McFarland, P. E.

Jacksonville Circuit, B. R. Johnson.
Roseburg Circuit, to be supplied.
Myrtle Creek Circuit, Robert T. Weatherly.
Oakland Mission, John W. Starr.
Coast Fork Mission, R. C. Martin.
Eugene Circuit, Thomas V. B. Embree.

35.—ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ASHLEY, ILL., *September 6-11, 1871.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; COLIN MURCHISON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Annis Merrill, Claibourn M. Whitson, Edward R. West, Amos Emerson, Francis E. Taylor, Joel T. Kendall, Alfred W. Sites, William H. White, John A. Stephenson, John F. Hensley. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Richard Gillispie, Andrew D. Hocker, Randolph P. Jones. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

William Thurman. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

William B. Lewellin, George T. Nichols, Thomas M. Ragsdale, William L. Corbin. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

John H. Garrett.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Richard Gillispie, William D. Ward. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

George T. Nichols, William L. Corbin. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

George T. Nichols, William L. Corbin. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas B. Boswell, Joseph Davis. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas B. Boswell, Joseph Davis, David Williams. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

George O. Hilton, Samuel Myers. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

George O. Hilton, Samuel Myers. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

John A. Stephenson, Copelin McKelvey. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Joseph B. Edmondson, John A. Stephenson. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Robert Tucker, Hiram G. Carden, David B. Sapp. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Joseph Howard, Daniel T. Sherman, Absalom L. Davis. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

William Finley, William Y. Gray. 2.

WILLIAM FINLEY was born in Warren county, Ky., November 30, 1800. His father was a Presbyterian. His mother died when he was an infant, and his aunt, Mary Taylor, cared for him until about ten years old, when again his father took him under his charge. When he was about twelve years old he was interested in the subject of religion, but not satisfied at that time. In early life he was married to Miss Elizabeth Hutchings, and removed to Bond county, Ill., where he lived for many years. When going to prayer-meeting, on the evening of March 6, 1825, he was enabled to give up all, and trust in the merits of Christ for salvation, and his soul was filled unutterably full of the love of God. At once he set up his family altar, and went to work publicly, and became a very useful minister in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in which he labored for years. But having been connected with some of the religious bodies which made the E. M. Church, he was with us at our organization, and was appointed to the Marion Circuit in 1867, also in 1868, 1869, and in 1870 obtained a supernumerary relation to the Conference. He died at his home, in Williamson county, Ill., November 9, 1870. His death was a great triumph in the sight of a better land. A few days before his death he said that he never knew his mother on earth, but soon his Father would introduce him to her. O, what an introduction! Brother Finley was a very pious and faithful minister, and was a deep reasoner on the doctrines of the Bible.

WILLIAM Y. GRAY, son of Rev. James D. and Maria E. Gray, was born in Marion county, Ill., December 29, 1843. He professed religion in 1866; soon after, he began to exhort, and in 1868 was duly licensed to preach, and recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial; but failing to reach the Conference, he was employed as junior preacher on the Rome Circuit. He remained there a few

months, when an urgent call came from the northern part of the State for a young man. He consented to go, upon due release from the Rome work, and traveled the remaining part of the year on the Cuba Circuit. He returned home broken down in health, but came to Conference, was received on trial, and appointed junior preacher on Loudon City Circuit. His health, however, did not permit him to go to his work. He returned home to his father's house, where he suffered long and patiently until March 26, 1871, when he died in great triumph and peace.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Cairo District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jonesboro Circuit.....	60	.....	1
Murphysboro Circuit.....	374	.....	3
Carbondale Circuit.....	29	.....	.....
Marion Circuit.....	150	.....	4
Chester Circuit.....	77	.....	.....
Verandah Circuit.....	58	.....	.....
Benton Circuit.....	110	.....	1
	858	.....	9

Salem District.

Salem Circuit.....	210	.....	3
Ashley and Nashville.....	338	.....	.....
Ashley Anniversary.....	.....	.....	.....
Rome Circuit.....	529	.....	7
Patoka Circuit.....	200	.....	1
Loudon City Circuit.....	270	.....	4
New Douglas Circuit.....	317	.....	7
Marshall Circuit.....	21	.....	.....
Montrose and Prairie City Mission..	84	.....	1
Kinmundy and Effingham.....	185	.....	2
	2154	.....	25

Xenia District.

Xenia Circuit.....	195	.....	2
Clay City Circuit.....	150	.....	2
Fairfield Circuit.....	160	.....	1
McLanesboro Circuit.....	250	.....	2
Grayville Mission.....	12	.....	.....
Equality Circuit.....	104	.....	2
	871	.....	9

Springfield District.

Springfield Circuit.....	58	.....	.....
Jacksonville and Bloomington Sta...	54	.....	2
Waverly Circuit.....	235	.....	2
Girard Circuit.....	53	.....	.....
Pana Circuit.....	128	.....	1
Taylorville Mission.....	12	.....	.....
	531	.....	5

Rushville District.

Rushville Station.....	117	.....	1
Rushville Circuit.....	90	.....	.....
Mt. Sterling Circuit.....	10	.....	1
Barry Circuit.....	75	.....	2

Rushville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Detroit Circuit.....	38	.....	.....
Lima Circuit.....	35	.....	.....
La Prairie Circuit.....	66	.....	.....
Buck Horn Circuit.....	90	.....	.....
Warsaw Circuit.....	22	.....	.....
	543	.....	4

Canton District.

Canton Station.....	51	.....	.....
Lewistown Station.....	32	.....	1
Lewistown Mission.....	53	.....	.....
Cuba and Marietta Circuit.....	87	.....	.....
Midway Circuit.....	67	.....	.....
Clinton Circuit.....	126	.....	1
Heyworth Circuit.....	60	.....	.....
Ottawa Circuit.....	22	.....	2
	488	.....	4

Recapitulation.

Cairo District.....	858	.....	9
Salem ".....	2154	.....	25
Xenia ".....	871	.....	9
Springfield ".....	531	.....	5
Rushville ".....	543	.....	4
Canton ".....	488	.....	4
Total this year.....	5445	.....	56
Total last year.....	4920	.....	48
Increase.....	525	.....	8

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
200.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
384.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
89.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
591.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
4228.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$150.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$106 25

Applied as follows:

Widow Posey, \$80 00
Widow Finley, 26 25

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for Missions?
\$527 15.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Rushville, Ill.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CANTON DISTRICT.

William R. Howard, P. E.

Canton Station, to be supplied, D. T. Sherman, Sup.
Lewistown Station, Colin Murchison.
Lewistown Mission, Annis Merrill.
Cuba Circuit, to be supplied.
Midway Circuit, Andrew D. Hocker.
Ottawa Circuit, Richard Gillispie.
Heyworth and Bloomington Circuit, Edward R. West.
Clinton Circuit, G. T. Nichols.

RUSHVILLE DISTRICT.

Middleton R. Jones, P. E.

Rushville Station, John A. Beagle.
Camden Circuit, Samuel Myers.
Mt. Sterling Circuit, Richard P. Holt.
Washington Circuit, Thomas A. Scruggs.
Pittsfield and Detroit Station, W. B. Johnsey.
Warsaw and Hebron, Thomas R. Kendall.
La Prairie Circuit, to be supplied.
Carthage Mission, to be supplied.
Jacksonville Station, to be supplied.
Rushville and Blandinsville Circuit, to be supplied.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Rumsey Smithson, P. E.

Springfield Circuit, Joseph B. Harris.
Waverly Circuit, William S. Asbury.
Girard Mission, Austin F. Rogers.
Pana Circuit, Daniel McKinney.
Taylorville Circuit, J. W. Nicodemus.
Shelbyville Mission, Joel T. Kendall.

SALEM DISTRICT.

T. B. Harben, P. E.

Salem Circuit, John L. Branstetter.

Kinmundy Station, Thos. C. Hawkins, Thos. D. Deeds, Sup.

Rome Circuit, Housen Duckworth.
Xenia Circuit, John W. Wescott.
Fairfield Circuit, Randolph P. Jones.
Montrose Circuit, William B. Lewellin.
Clay City Circuit, William B. Beagle.
Effingham, William C. Blundell.
Altamont Circuit, William L. Corbin, A. B. Dowell.
Patoka Circuit, James D. Gray, one to be supplied.
New Douglas Circuit, Norman P. Halsey, one to be supplied.
Marshall Circuit, John F. Hensley.

CARBONDALE DISTRICT.

Thomas L. Foster, P. E.

Carbondale and Murphysboro Circuit, John T. Crandall.
Jonesboro Circuit, William H. White.
De Soto Circuit, Matthew R. Gohagen, Absalom L. Davis, Sup.
Marion Circuit, W. P. Nance.
Chester Circuit, Alfred W. Sites.
Ashley and Richview Station, John H. Garrett.
Nashville and Wesley Chapel Station, Benj. R. Hester.
Mt. Vernon Circuit, William D. Ward.
McLeansboro Circuit, C. M. Whitson.
Equality Circuit, to be supplied.
Carmi, to be supplied.
Verandah Circuit, John A. Stephenson.
Paradise Mission, Thomas M. Ragsdale.
Golconda Mission, to be supplied.

G. O. Hilton, Amos Emerson, Francis E. Taylor, S. J. Catlin, transferred to Western Conference.

A. Minor, W. J. Snively, R. H. Reed, transferred to Kentucky Conference.

J. S. Keen, transferred to Louisville Conference.

GENERAL RECAPITULATION

CONFERENCES.	Traveling Preach'rs.	Supt'd Preach'rs.	Local Preach'rs.	White Members.	Colored Members.	Indian Members.	Total M'rs and M'b's.	In- crease.	De- crease.	Infants Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Sunday- Schools.	S. S. Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	Collection for Conf. C'm'nt's.	Collection for Missions.
1. Baltimore.....	157	7	104	22,196	69	.....	22,533	512	.....	1364	924	354	3260	17,962	\$2592 97	\$4438 98
2. Virginia.....	163	11	162	41,765	625	.....	42,616	1940	.....	1260	2345	559	5089	29,543	4852 79	4395 66
3. Western Virginia..	44	3	87	10,460	26	.....	10,620	.....	395	277	589	144	1012	5,498	600 00	661 05
4. Holston.....	120	8	264	30,920	162	102	31,676	1487	.....	1109	1624	352	2440	15,418	844 56	1795 27
5. North Carolina.....	134	11	210	46,867	651	.....	47,873	256	.....	1547	1831	680	3912	25,030	2482 34	3862 06
6. South Carolina.....	131	7	135	34,737	1928	.....	36,338	2298	.....	1690	1732	427	2723	17,812	4149 71	2830 09
7. North Georgia.....	150	15	419	44,274	447	.....	45,305	1788	.....	1114	3028	470	3362	24,692	5788 41	6099 90
8. South Georgia.....	107	17	215	24,452	.....	.....	24,791	648	.....	719	1724	276	1742	11,568	5631 08	6198 15
9. Florida.....	.....	2	74	7,066	7	.....	7,191	.....	53	441	314	87	449	2,479	846 45	914 64
10. Alabama.....	122	13	190	24,889	364	.....	24,889	228	.....	1102	1015	275	1764	12,000	5407 70	4701 40
11. North Alabama.....	106	7	293	24,179	39	1	24,625	1511	.....	605	1728	305	1572	11,378	1446 25	2644 96
12. Louisiana.....	62	6	77	9,770	2266	.....	12,181	626	.....	654	643	78	668	4,446	2633 10	3099 46
13. Mississippi.....	107	12	143	17,124	456	.....	17,842	1364	.....	948	1142	180	952	9,869	1724 12	1782 96
14. North Mississippi..	117	11	185	23,176	.....	.....	23,489	1364	.....	908	2122	233	1190	9,293	2332 30	2421 75
15. Memphis.....	113	10	278	27,832	.....	.....	28,233	2655	.....	804	2515	275	1861	13,541	1438 15	4038 85
16. Tennessee.....	167	8	317	30,459	144	.....	37,095	2669	.....	892	2732	356	2127	17,009	2075 40	3411 40
17. Kentucky.....	96	8	117	18,423	142	.....	18,846	1835	.....	926	1608	143	984	6,858	1726 13	3318 28
18. Louisville.....	118	6	194	27,332	.....	.....	27,792	1835	.....	638	687	109	725	10,545	1952 50	1332 00
19. St. Louis.....	68	3	94	9,942	12	.....	10,095	.....	.....	467	908	98	714	6,084	1200 00	3135 61
20. West St. Louis.....	95	6	129	12,437	42	.....	12,569	.....	.....	679	1476	225	1863	4,987	1370 00	1843 30
21. Missouri.....	45	1	20	2,138	165	.....	2,369	625	.....	110	279	27	216	1,439	2144 25	4480 10
22. Western.....	.....	.....	61	127	434	4330	4,973	493	.....	397	439	8	22	230	.....	143 65
23. Indian Mission.....	51	1	116	9,530	42	.....	9,740	1717	.....	393	891	71	404	2,793	298 90	378 33
24. Arkansas.....	42	1	92	8,827	26	.....	8,988	443	.....	383	832	78	388	2,627	737 00	437 20
25. White River.....	60	5	171	14,015	.....	.....	14,251	964	.....	681	1098	166	1149	5,510	2101 00	1972 00
26. Little Rock.....	57	5	155	12,184	.....	.....	12,405	.....	232	594	1180	87	442	3,630	1342 00	600 00
27. Trinity.....	40	3	105	9,113	.....	.....	9,261	1629	.....	408	752	63	373	2,593	622 22	393 95
28. East Texas.....	54	5	87	5,707	188	.....	6,041	907	.....	436	453	51	389	2,639	692 00	1580 31
29. Texas.....	54	5	154	10,024	7	.....	10,243	1560	.....	759	1112	64	408	2,977	638 30	1793 55
30. North-west Texas..	36	3	38	3,545	51	.....	3,673	235	.....	190	180	44	235	1,695	438 27	720 45
31. West Texas.....	13	.....	14	551	.....	.....	578	82	.....	49	42	8	45	302	11 95	840 20
32. Los Angeles.....	45	2	55	3,115	.....	.....	3,171	.....	63	166	145	50	323	2,035	535 81	952 00
33. Pacific.....	17	.....	5	1,033	.....	.....	1,055	.....	52	25	42	3	18	193	.....	330 77
34. Columbia.....	51	.....	56	5,445	.....	.....	5,552	635	.....	200	384	89	591	4,228	106 25	527 15
35. Illinois.....	.....	.....	.....	74	.....	.....	74	74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
China Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bishops.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total in 1871.....	2858	199	4944	600,909	7,841	4433	621,184	35,506	796	23,221	41,289	6320	45,417	300,523	\$50,082 51	\$78,813 58
Total in 1870.....	2735	187	4714	561,587	13,263	3952	586,428	.....	.....	21,002	34,408	6173	42,505	282,467	\$4,875 96	\$8,675 61
Increase.....	123	12	230	39,322	5,422	481	34,756	.....	.....	2,219	6,881	347	2,912	18,056	\$5,206 55	\$9,862 03
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

[There are defects in the Minutes of some of the Conferences, which the editor vainly endeavored to supply. The transferred preachers are reckoned with those of the Conferences to which they now belong. The preachers who located this year (59) are not counted; on the other hand, the preachers who were admitted on trial (232), and those who were readmitted (45), are counted among the traveling preachers, though many of them are also reckoned with the local preachers. The members in China were not counted last year, not being officially reported. The colored members, for the most part, have left our Connection for the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America, organized by our Bishops under the authority of the General Conference—they are reported in their own Minutes—hence the apparent decrease in that department. The ten Bishops are added to the total of traveling preachers reported in 1870.]

MEMOIR OF BISHOP ANDREW.

JAMES OSGOOD ANDREW was born in Wilkes county, Ga., May 3, 1794. His father was the Rev. John Andrew, formerly an itinerant and afterward a local preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and teacher of a country school. His mother's maiden name was Cosby. She was a woman of strong intellect, fine taste, and deep piety. Her son derived many of his sterling elements of character from this excellent woman. He was fond of reading when a child, and read nearly all the books in his father's library. His father taught him irregularly for three or four years, and he went to two other teachers, under whom he studied for a short period. He was admitted to the communion of the Church, when he was thirteen years of age, by the Rev. Gabriel Christian. He filled the office of assistant class-leader at Asbury Chapel, Broad River Circuit, in Elbert county, Ga. He was licensed to preach when he was eighteen years of age. His first attempts to preach were among the negroes, and his labors were not without success. In his first attempt to preach before his neighbors and friends he was much embarrassed. His uncle, Dr. Moses Andrew, gave him the text: "We have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore?" He was much mortified with what he considered a failure—and so were some of his friends. One of the most influential members, James Marks, said to him, "Well, *Jeemes*, I voted the other day for you to be a preacher, but if I had heard that sermon first I never would have done it." He was so discouraged that he concluded never to try to preach again; but he soon overcame that temptation. Dr. Moses Andrew—his father's cousin—was the preacher in charge, and Dr. Lovick Pierce was Presiding Elder, in the Quarterly Conference by which he was licensed. Dr. Pierce carried his recommendation to the South Carolina Conference, which met in Charleston, S. C., Dec. 12, 1812, where he was received into the itinerant connection. He was appointed to the Saltketcher Circuit, as assistant preacher—William M. Kennedy was his Presiding Elder. The next year he was sent as preacher in charge to Bladen Circuit. At the next Conference he was ordained deacon by Bishop McKendree, and sent to Warren Circuit. The next year he was stationed in Charleston. At the next Conference he was ordained elder, and sent to Wilmington, N. C., where he remained two years, and was very successful in his ministry. Shortly before his death he received a check for \$1,000 from a

gentleman in New Jersey, the son of one who was converted under his ministry when stationed in Wilmington. He was stationed in 1820, 1821, in Augusta, and in 1822, 1823, in Savannah, where he passed through the yellow fever. In 1824, he was Presiding Elder on the Edisto District; 1825, 1826, on the Charleston District. In 1827, 1828, he was stationed in Charleston; 1829, Athens and Greensboro, Ga.; 1830, Athens and Madison, Ga. The next year the Georgia Conference was set off, and he was stationed in Augusta. In 1832, he was elected and ordained Bishop, and continued in the faithful discharge of his high and responsible duties till the General Conference which met in New York in 1844. He entered upon his work as a Bishop with great reluctance, fear, and trembling. He frequently said that he was greatly encouraged by a remark of Bishop McKendree after his election, when he said to that apostolic man, "The Conference has laid on me a work for which I am not prepared, and for which I have no experience whatever. Please give me some advice." The venerable Bishop replied: "James, I have not much to say; but I will say, never shrink from responsibility; for remember that by this you assume the most fearful of all responsibilities." He never forgot this opportune and judicious advice. Bishop Andrew was thrice married. He was united to his second wife—an excellent Christian lady of Georgia—a little while before the session of the General Conference of 1844. Mrs. Andrew was the owner of slaves, and though the Bishop had no pecuniary interest in them, and could not have liberated them had he wished to do so, yet the Northern majority in the General Conference virtually deposed him from his office as Bishop, against the earnest protestation of the Southern delegates, the Southern Church, and many in the North. He would gladly have resigned his office to preserve the union and peace of the Church; but as such a step would have been fatal to Methodism in the South, and would have sanctioned a false, fanatical, and an unconstitutional principle, he maintained his position with dignity, humility, and patience; though the trial through which he passed was exceedingly severe. A Plan of Separation was agreed upon between the Northern and Southern sections of the Church; a Convention was held at Louisville, Ky., at which Bishops Soule and Andrew presided, when the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was organized; and at the first General Conference, held in Petersburg, Va.,

May, 1846, they were recognized as Bishops in the Southern Church, and William Capers and Robert Paine were added to them by election and consecration at that session. Bishop Andrew continued to exercise the functions of his office, with great ability and success, till the session of the General Conference at New Orleans, in 1866, when, at his request, he was granted a superannuated relation. He continued, however, to visit the Churches, preaching and counseling, warning and encouraging the brethren, until the weary wheels of life at last stood still. The last Annual Conference which he attended was the Alabama, at its session in Montgomery, December, 1870. He had a peculiar affection for that Conference, as he had resided within its bounds (at Summerfield) after his marriage with his third wife in 1854. He took an affectionate leave of the Conference, predicting truly that he would never attend another session. He visited the brethren in New Orleans in February, 1871. His last sermon was preached in the Felicity-street Church the Sunday se'nnight before his death, after addressing the Sunday-school. He preached with much of his former power, but it was too much for his little remaining strength; and on Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock he received the warning stroke. It assumed the form of *hemiplegia*, affecting the left side. He received all possible attentions from Dr. Moss, at whose house he was staying; but human science, and love, and care, could not stay the bolt of death. He was taken to Mobile, where, at the house of his daughter and son-in-law, the Rev. John W. Rush, his latest hours were soothed with the kindest care. He lay, quiet and serene, a few days on the margin of the river, showing his numerous sympathizing friends with what ease a Christian can die. He had "the gay remembrance of a life well spent"—"the peace of God which passeth all understanding"—and a good hope through grace of soon entering into the joy of his Lord—and of obtaining an abundant entrance too! He spoke words of cheer to his sorrowing wife, and children, and friends—talked much about the Church, which he loved as his own soul, and of his colleagues in the Episcopacy, to whom he was devotedly attached. He sent them as his dying message, through Bishop McTyeire, these words: "Tell them that I would like to meet them in May, but cannot; for I am fully persuaded my time to go is near at hand—that in them all I have the fullest confidence, and die rejoicing that God has put the Church in their care and superintendency;

and that they must always live in peace and harmony!" In this frame he continued till he passed through the gates into the city. Among his last words were these to his children and grandchildren, and the preachers present: "God bless you all!" "Victory! victory!" He died March 2, 1871—the month and day on which the immortal Wesley, eighty years before, ascended to the skies. Appropriate obsequies were performed at the Franklin-street Church by Bishop Keener, Dr. Andrews, and the Rev. J. A. Spence. His remains were then taken to Oxford, Ga., where he had so long resided, and laid with kindred dead. He left word that Bishop Pierce should preach his funeral sermon; and when asked what hymn should be sung, he said he had especial fondness for that beginning, "God of my life, whose gracious power"—which is very much in the vein of the Bishop's experience. In the meridian of life Bishop Andrew was a noble-looking man. He was somewhat under six feet in height—well proportioned, sallow of countenance—the prevailing type of his region; his features were chiseled with marked outlines, expressive (especially the eyes), if not particularly handsome. His voice was one of great compass and power, and it was heard pleasantly in song as well as in speech—for he was a dear lover of the songs of Zion. He was not fastidious in his dress and manner, nor was there any thing formal or frigid in his intercourse with society. He was warm and devoted in his friendships, liberal in his benefactions, sympathizing in his spirit, playful with children—whom he dearly loved, and to whom he gave the kindest counsels and encouragements; and he was eminently condescending to men of low estate, especially the colored people, by whom he was greatly revered. He prized highly the means of grace, public, social, family, and private. He was fond of reading, and read to purpose. He wrote a great deal—principally communications to Church papers, addresses, journals, letters to friends, and the like. The last communication which he wrote for the press was for the *Christian Index*, the organ of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America—the ruling passion being strong in death; for the Bishop was ever a lover of the colored people, pleaded powerfully for their interests, and labored long and faithfully for their good. He published a valuable work on Family Government, and a volume of Miscellanies, both of which have had a wide circulation, and are entitled to a wider.

